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# Mahatma's Rejoinder To Thakore Saheb

## Fast Unto Death

*What May Not Come In My Life-time May Come After The Sacrifice*

RAJKOT, March 3.

Mahatma Gandhi moved out into the open after nightfall and is resting under the sky peacefully.

Dr. Sushila Nayar, who is Gandhiji's medical attendant, and two others sought permission of the Rajkot authorities, to interview Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi to acquaint her with the reasons for Gandhiji's fast.

The permission was sought according to Gandhiji's advice, but it has been refused by the authorities.

### THAKORE REJECTS TERMS

RAJKOT, March 3.

The following is the full text of the Thakore Saheb's letter to Mahatma Gandhi:—

"My dear Mahatma Gandhiji:—I received your letter yesterday and noted the contents with the greatest regret. As you have already been assured that the notification No. 50 which I published on 26th December still stands good, the suggestions you make regarding the personnel of the Committee are not in accordance with the terms of that Notification and I do not feel justified in accepting them or your other suggestions.

RULER'S RESPONSIBILITY.

The responsibility of ensuring that the Committee shall consist of suitable members, truly representative of various interests of the State, rests on me as ruler of Rajkot and it is a responsibility of which I cannot divest myself in the best interests of my State and by people.

FINAL DECISION.

It is impossible for me to allow any one else to have the final decision in a matter of such vital importance. As I have previously assured, it is my earnest hope that the Committee may be able to start work in a calm atmosphere at the earliest possible moment, so that there may be no delay in introducing such reforms as may be found to be necessary.

—Yours, Sincerely,

DHARMIHARSINH.

### MAHATMA'S REJOINDER

Commenting on the Thakore Saheb's reply Mahatma Gandhi said: "I am sorry for this reply. I cannot help saying that the Thakore Saheb has been badly advised. The reply adds fuel to the fire. Considerations urged in the letter became irrelevant, when he gave the following note to the Sardar:

*'Agreed seven members of the Committee mentioned in Clause Two of the said announcement of this date are to be recommended by Sardar Patel and they are to be nominated by us.'*

UNEQUIVOCAL AND EMPHATIC.

The language is unequivocal and emphatic. The Thakore Saheb, in giving that note, divested himself of the responsibility of chosing the nominees. The responsibility of nomination rests with the Thakore Saheb, but the nomination is conditioned by the fact that the names had to be recommended by the Sardar. Therefore the responsibility for making suitable recommendations devolved upon the Sardar and that devolution took place at the will of the ruler of Rajkot.

NO ALTERNATIVE.

It was open to the ruler and his advisers to negotiate with the Sardar, if they did not find his recommendations suitable and to induce him to make other recommendations. But if the Sardar could not be so persuaded, the Thakore Saheb, having divested himself of the responsibility to

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## MERCHANTS' S. O. S. TO VICEROY

## SAVE SITUATION BY PROMPT ACTION

## Mahatma's Fast Has Stirred Soul Of Indian People

### SPONTANEOUS HARTAL IN CITY

**Mahatma Gandhi's decision to fast till the Rajkot Thakore honours his plighted word to his people has stirred the soul of the Indian nation.**

**Merchants' Alarm**

**While messages of sympathy and anxious prayer pour in, the Commercial community has expressed its alarm in unequivocal terms. They have suspended business spontaneously.**

**S. O. S. To Viceroy**

**Telegrams for prompt intervention by the Paramount Power to save the situation and save a life held so dear and precious by the entire country have been sent to the Viceroy.**

**B. P. C. C.'s Call**

**The B.P.C.C. has, in the mean time, called for a three days' hartal.**

### SET RIGHT SITUATION

Mr. J. C. Setalvad, President, Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, has sent the following telegram to-day to the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Viceroy:—

"The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber are deeply and seriously perturbed at the announcement of Mahatma Gandhi commencing his fast as a protest against happenings in Rajkot.

The Committee seek His Excellency the Viceroy's intervention for getting the Thakore Sahib of Rajkot to fulfil his pledge and promise Repercussions of Mahatmaji's fast are bound to be serious and grave all over the country

The Committee look to His Excellency, who has shown his statesmanship on other occasions, to exercise far-sighted statesmanship and to take steps immediately to have the situation set right in Rajkot so that there may be no harm to the most precious life in the country."

#### FIT CASE FOR INTERVENTION

Mr. Begraj Gupta, President of the Marwari Chamber of Commerce has sent the following telegram to the Viceroy:—

"The Board of the Marwari Chamber of Commerce are alarmed at the news of the indefinite fast commenced by Mahatma Gandhi with a view to persuading the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot to implement the solemn pact made with the people of Rajkot.

In the Boards' opinion the Thakore's action in going back on his pledged word and repudiating obligations solemnly undertaken is wholly indefensible. In the present political situation that action, unless rectified in time may lead to gravest political developments which none can contemplate with equanimity.

My Board consider this is eminently a fit case for intervention by the Paramount Power. In view of Mahatma Gandhi's age and present health and consequent possibility of danger to his life, the Board respectfully urge upon His Excellency need for immediate action with a view to securing adherence by the Thakore Saheb to the solemn agreement."

A similar telegram has been sent to the Secretary of State for India also.

The office of the Marwadi Chamber of Commerce as also the Hundi business of the members will remain closed to-day (Saturday) in sympathy with the fast.

#### WIN NATION'S GRATITUDE

The following telegram has been sent to the Thakore Saheb.

"The Board of the Marwari Chamber of Commerce feel grave concern over the fast which Mahatma Gandhi has commenced. The Board submit your repudiation of obligations solemnly undertaken militates against traditions of your great House. Pray realise terrible consequences which may follow prolonged continuance of fast by Mahatmaji at this age and present indifferent health and take earliest action announcing adherence to the solemn pact freely made and thus avert disaster. Not only Rajkot but the whole country will gratefully acknowledge your debt for being the first Prince to grant Responsible Government thus saving the life of the world's greatest man."

#### DELAY WILL BE DANGEROUS

The President of the Bombay Shroff Association has sent the following telegram to the Viceroy:

"Committee, Bombay Shroff Association, feel grave anxiety over Mahatma Gandhi's indefinite fast as a protest against happenings in Rajkot. Committee request His Excellency the Viceroy to exercise his far-sighted statesmanship in getting the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot to fulfil his pledge and promise to his subjects, and thus stop harm being done to the most precious life of Mahatma Gandhi. Committee submit delay in timely action will have serious repercussions all over the country."

The Cotton Brokers' Staff Union has sent the following telegram to the Viceroy:—

Bombay Cotton Brokers' Staff Union terribly shocked at Mahatmaji's fast which causes grave concern and anxiety to the whole Nation. We earnestly appeal for immediate intervention and remove the causes that have necessitated the fasting.

Union feels that least delay will endanger the situation resulting in National calamity.

#### DIAMOND MERCHANTS' APPEAL

The Bombay Diamond Merchants' Association remained closed yesterday and will remain closed to-day (Saturday) as protest against the breach of pledge and promise given by the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot and to show their innermost sympathy with Mahatmaji's fast. The Association looks with grave anxiety the serious repercussions of Mahatmaji's fast. Members are requested to close their business fully to-day (Saturday).

#### INTERVENE BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE

The Mill Gin Store Merchants' Association has sent the following telegram to the Viceroy:—

"Mill Gin Store Merchants' Association view with alarm Gandhiji's fast on Rajkot affairs and its repercussion on both political and commercial world. Pray intervene before it is too late.

TELEGRAM TO THAKORE SAHEB

"Mill Gin Store Merchants Association deeply shocked at Gandhiji's indefinite fast. Protest strongly your attitude. Request arrive at immediate settlement."

#### SAVE SITUATION

The Ghatkoper Hindu Sabha has sent the following wire to the Viceroy:—

"Mahatmaji's fast causing grave anxiety. Consider Rajkot Thakore's attitude dangerous and liable to result in grave nation-wide calamity. Earnestly appeal for prompt intervention and save situation."

### B. P. C. C.'s CALL FOR THREE-DAY HARTAL

*Public Prayers For Mahatma To-day*

**Sequel to Mahatma Gandhi's fast the B.P.C.C. has called for a three-day Hartal in the city of Bombay commencing from to-day, (Saturday) and has appealed to all businessmen and associations to suspend business for the period.**

PUBLIC MEETING AND PRAYER AT AZAD MAIDAN

**A meeting of Bombay citizens to offer public prayer for Mahatmaji will be held at the Azad Maidan to-day (Saturday) at 6 p. m. when Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel will preside and Pt. Omkarnath Thakore will lead the prayer.**

WOMEN'S MEETING

**A meeting of Bombay women will be held at Madhav Baug to-day, (Saturday) at 5 p. m. for the same purpose.**

Durbar Virawala.

## REACTION IN DELHI

### Pressure From Bombay And Madras Govts.

NEW DELHI, March 3.

It is learned in Congress Circles here that the Governments of Bombay and Madras have strongly urged the Viceroy to intervene without delay in the situation created by the Mahatma's fast. In response to these requests for intercession it is anticipated that His Excellency may curtail his tour and return to Delhi but no intimation has been received from the Viceroy's Camp. A. P.

### DANGER OF FIRST CLASS CRISIS

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, March 3.

Groups of Congress members at various places are solemnly engaged in considering the serious situation arising out of the Mahatma's grim resolve to fast unto death.

It is being seriously talked in Congress circles that Provincial Ministers would be bringing pressure on the paramount power to intervene and contribute towards the solution of the Rajkot Tangle or else a first class constitutional crisis would be precipitated in the Indian Provinces run by the Congress Governments. It is however, believed that no precipitate action would be taken and time will be given to authorities to remedy the situation. The Viceroy appears to be in touch with the Delhi, Rajkot and London.

Mahatma Gandhi.

## All-India Rajkot Day To-morrow

### Subhas' Call To Country: Speedy Steps Needed To Settle Rajkot Issue

CALCUTTA, March 3.

**An appeal to the country to observe Sunday, March 5, as the All-India Rajkot Day is made by Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, Congress President, in a statement to the Associated Press on hearing the news on Mahatma Gandhi commencing fast this noon.**

Mr. Bose says: "The news that Mahatma Gandhi has resorted to fast over the Rajkot issue has come as a profound shock to the whole country. We are naturally profoundly concerned over the success of his cause, as well as over his health which has been none too good for some time past. We can save his life only by taking steps which will help to bring about a speedy and satisfactory settlement of the Rajkot tangle. It is, therefore, imperative on our part to put the maximum moral pressure on the Paramount Power and on the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot so that they may see the error of their ways and fall in line with the public demand on this issue.

I, therefore, request the public all over the country to observe Sunday, March 5, as All India Rajkot Day. Though the notice is extremely short, I am sure that the observance of the All India Rajkot day will be a success as the news of Mahatma Gandhi's fast will travel like wild fire to every corner of the country. Hartal may be observed wherever possible and in the afternoon meetings and processions should be held. Resolutions should be passed at these meetings condemning the attitude of the Paramount Power and urging the Thakore Saheb to honour his promised word so that the legitimate grievances of the Rajkot subjects may be redressed and the life of Mahatma Gandhi may be saved thereby.

"I earnestly appeal to the public all over the country, regardless of their views, to co-operate wholeheartedly in making the All India Rajkot day a supreme success."—A.P.

### LOVE AND SYMPATHY FROM TAGORE

*RAJKOT, March 3.*

*Gandhiji received a number of telegrams. One from Dr. Rabindranath Tagore reads: "Love and sympathy.*

*A telegram from Mr. C. F. Andrews says: 'Love and prayers."*

*A telegram from Jubbulpore makes anxious enquiries about the time of his arrival at Tripuri.*

*Gandhiji is quietly sleeping in bright moonlight under a starry sky.—A.P.*

## S. AFRICA'S GOOD START

### Vanderbyl's Century In Fifth Test Against England

*DURBAN, March 3.*

*In the final fifth test between South Africa and England, which will be played to a finish, South Africa batting first made 229 for two wickets at close of play.*

SOUTH AFRICA (FIRST INNINGS).

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Melville hit wicket b Wright | | 78 |
| Vanderbyl (batting) | ..... | 105 |
| Rowan l-b-w b Perks | ..... | 33 |
| Mitchell (not out) | ..... | 4 |
| Extras | ..... | 9 |
| Total for two wickets at close | | 229 |

## PREMIER'S TRIBUTES TO J. N. TATA

### City Functions On Birth Centenary Day

**The birth centenary of the late J. N. Tata, the founder of the House of Tata, who left a blazing trail in the firmament of Indian industry, was celebrated on March 3, in a grand manner, by the Directors and employees of all Tata Companies.**

**In typical Indian style, the celebrations began with thanksgiving ceremonies, in Bombay House, where prayers were offered by Parsi and Hindu employees of the Tata Sons, Ltd.**

BUST UNVEILED

**After the completion of the thanksgiving ceremonies, a meeting of all employees of the firm was held, when Lady Ratan Tata unveiled the marble bust of this great pioneer of Indian industry, presented by the employees as a "token of their gratitude, deep loyalty and great attachment to the firm."**

**During the afternoon, athletic sports were held at the Cooperage, in the presence of a large gathering of the firm's employees.**

PREMIER'S TRIBUTES

**The function was rounded off with the 'At Home", given by the House of Tata. There was a distinguished gathering present in the specially erected and beautifully decorated shamiana. The Hon. Mr. Kher, who presided over the occasion, paid eloquent tributes to Mr. J. N. Tata's vision, enterprise and unchallenged personal integrity.**

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## LATHI CHARGE AND ARRESTS

JHUNJUNU, March 3.

A batch of five Satyagrahis was arrested to-day following a lathi charge, in which some people are reported to have received injuries. —United Press.

## POLICE OPEN FIRE IN RANGOON

RANGOON March 3.

Military police opened fire on one occasion with the result one man was wounded and removed to hospital. More sporadic assaults occurred in the course of the afternoon.

Reports from the outlying parts of the city of assaults on Hindus and Muslims suggest that the state of tension continues.—A. P.

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Wanted two experienced stenographers with good command of English for a European firm in Aden. Decent remuneration for the right man. Apply stating terms with copies of testimonials to G.P.O. Box No. 878, Bombay. (11459)

Earn Rs. 300 a month by learning by post or practically Soapmaking. Success guaranteed. Thousands in India, Burma, Ceylon, Africa, China, etc., earning. Details free: Soap Training House, Saidpur, E. B. Rly. (11452)

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Wanted Maharashtrian S. T. C. D. or B. T. for the Pioneer Public School, Dadar, from June next. Apply Principal stating minimum salary required. (11445).

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Wanted a whole-time Tutor or Tutoress and Companion for Children below 8 years in an orthodox Hindu family of the United Provinces. Pay according to qualifications. Knowledge of Hindi. Kindergarten system and experience in teaching of small children essential. Apply stating qualifications, age and previous experience to Box No. 10728, "Bombay Chronicle".

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Earnest Money Deposit of Rs. 100 should be sent to the Auditor, J. and D. Railway, Jamnagar and Money Receipt granted by the Auditor should be attached to the Tender.

Copies of Tenders can be obtained from the Superintendent of Stores, J. and D. Railway, Jamnagar on payment of Re. 1/- per form.

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Further particulars may be obtained from the Office of the Commissioner of Excise, Old Custom House, Fort, Bombay, who will receive tenders not later than 12 noon (S.T.) on 24th March, 1939.

COMMISSIONER OF EXCISE, Bombay. (10723)

## Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Succession Certificate in respect of certain shares, securities and debts belonging to THAKOREDAS ATMARAM GANDHI alias THAKORDAS ATMARAM GANDHI alias THAKERDAS ATMARAM GANDHI alias THAKOREDAS A. GANDHI of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, an Attorney of this Hon'ble Court, residing at the time of his death at 333, Shrinivas Building Sandhurst Road, without the Fort of Bombay ..... Deceased.

TARABAI, widow of Thakoredas Atmaram Gandhi, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at 333, Shrinivas Building, Sandhurst Road, without the Fort of Bombay ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Succession Certificate.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 23rd day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and in the third year of our Reign.

(Seal of the High Court at Bombay)

R. B. PATEL, Prothonotary & Senior Master.

TAHIR ALI.

The 23rd day of February, 1939.

MESSRS. THAKOREDAS & COMPANY.

Petitioners' Attorneys.

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## Public Notices

# TRIPURI CONGRESS

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| 6-46 | ,, Khandwa ,, | 2-26 |
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| 9-50 | D. ,, A. | 23-35 |
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The above trains will run daily from 5th March, 1939, till the Congress session is over. Full particulars and timings at intermediate stations can be had from any G. I. P. Station.

A. — Arrival. D. — Departure. H. ——Hours M. — Minutes.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

HYDRAULIC ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT

TENDERS accompanied with a deposit of Rs. 1,400 for the supply of 3,500 gallons of Anti-Corrosive Paints required for painting Steel Pipe Lines and Bridges are invited and will be received upto 1 p.m. (Bombay Time) on the 17th day of March, 1939.

Tenders should be enclosed in a sealed envelope superscribed "Tenders for the supply of Paints required for painting Steel Pipe Lines and Bridges" and addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay.

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E. A. NADIRSHAH, Hydraulic Engineer.

Office of the Hydraulic Engineer, Improvement Trust Building, Napier Road, Fort, Bombay, 1st March 1939.

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TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of YUSUF A. M. DHARAMSEY alias YUSUF ABDULLA alias YUSUF A. DJARAMSEY, alias YUSUF ABDULLA M. DHARAMSEY alias YUSUF ABDALLA, late of Bombay Khoja Mahomedan Inhabitant, a retired gentleman, without any business, a widower, who resided at 155, Gowalia Tank Road without the Fort of Bombay ..... Deceased.

ASHRAFUNNISA, wife of Habib Fazal Dharamsey of Bombay Khoja Mahomedan Inhabitant, daughter of the abovenamed deceased, residing at 155, Gowalia Tank Road, without the Fort of Bombay ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and in the third year of our Reign.

(Seal of the High Court at Bombay)

(Sd.) R. B. PATEL, Prothonotary and Senior Master.

(Sd) TAHIR ALI

The 22nd day of February, 1939.

FRAMROZE J. GHADIALLY. Petitioner's Attorney.

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DISTRICT LOCAL BOARD BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT, ANDHERI

NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED before the 17th March, 1939, in the forms provided for the right of collecting Ferry Tolls on the following Local Board Ferries and quarrying in the Local Board Quarries at Kherodi for a period of one year from 1st April, 1939, to 31st March, 1940.

1. Borivli Gorai Ferry (By use of country boats).
2. Marwa Manori Ferry (By the use of Motor Launch with a Board of Trade Certificates and country boats).
3. Stone quarries at Kherodi in S. No. 267 and a plot between S.N. 99 and 227.
4. Every tender must be accompanied by a cash deposit of Rs. 150/-, Rs. 500/- and Rs. 100/- in the case of I, II and III respectively.
5. Prescribed forms of the tenders and any further information required can be obtained from the undersigned or in the L.S.G. Institute's Office, 11, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay, during office hours.

JABIR A. ALI, President.

District Local Board, B.S.D. Andheri, Dated 25th Feb. 1939.

10714.

## Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

SUIT NO. 425 OF 1934.

GOPALDAS POONJA and others ..... Plaintiffs.

vs.

SUNDERLAL, son of Radhakisson and others....Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Decree Absolute for Sale, dated 20th June, 1935, the following immovable properties will be sold in two lots by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Hon'ble Court at his Office in the Court House on WEDNESDAY, the 15th March, 1939, at 3 p.m. (S.T.)

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY SITUATE AT BALAPUR ZILLA AKOLA.

LOT NO. 1.—Land, admeasuring about 8 Acres together with a Ginning and Pressing Factory thereon and bounded on the East by No. 96, on the West by the river, on the South by Government Road and on the North by Survey No. 92.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY AT KHIDKHIYA.

LOT NO. 2.—The share of the defendants in the property known as Shrilal Anantlal Ginning and Pressing Factory, bearing Survey No. 92, situate at Khidkhiya Tahsil Harda District Hoshangabad, together with all the messuages tenements, bungalows, sheds outhouses and factory with wells, etc. standing thereon

For further particulars and conditions of sale application should be made at the office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of MESSRS. KANGA AND CO., Attorneys for the plaintiffs abovenamed at Yusuf Building, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 11th day of January, 1939.

(Sd.) G. H. KHAIRAZ, Offg. Commissioner.

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NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for stores required for the Sir J. J. School of Art and the Reay Art Workshops for the period of one year commencing from 1st April, 1939.

Tender forms can be obtained on application to the undersigned Sealed tenders must reach the Superintendent of the Reay Art Workshops, Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, on or before 17th March, 1939, till 1 p.m. (S. T.).

The undersigned is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

(Sd.) CHAS. R. GERRARD, Director.

Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, 28th February, 1939.

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## Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai Gangabai, wife of Jamnadas Purshottam of Bombay, Hindu, Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office No. 65, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of newly assessed land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Banganga Road, on the Malabar Hill or Walkeshwar in the Island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 225 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New No. 16,884, New Survey No. B/7,261, Cadastral Survey No. 17, Malabar and Cumballa Hill Division and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under D Ward No. 3,005 and Street No. 47 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the property of Khimji Girdhar, on or towards the West by the property of the late Jagonnath Shanker Seth, on or towards the North by the public road and on or towards the South by vacant land.

Dated this 28th day of February, 1939.

THAKORDAS DARU HEMANY & CO.

Purchaser's Attorneys.

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## Public Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificates for two shares Nos. 38879,80 of the Ahmedabad Electricity Co. Ltd., standing in the name of Agostinho da Piedade Siqueira and Mrs. Maria Caetana Rodriques, have been lost or mislaid.

The public are hereby warned against purchasing or dealing with the above certificates in any way but are requested to give information about the same to the undersigned.

AGOSTINHO DA PIEDADE SIQUEIRA, Aldona, Bardez Goa.

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## Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. Rustomji Dorabji Wellington of Bombay, Parsi, Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client, KAPURCHAND NEMCHAND MEHTA,

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Albert Building, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of land forming part of a large estate belonging to the Svadeshi Mills Co., Ltd., situate at Charni Road in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement an area of 2160 square yards or thereabouts together with the Cinema and other buildings standing thereon and bearing together with the other land, Cadastral Survey No. 1487, (the correct C.S. No. as intimated by the Collector of Bombay is 6-1487), of the Girgaum Division and Municipal D Ward No. 197 and Street No. 299, Charni Road and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the South by Tata Road No 1., on or towards the East by Tata Road No. 1, and the property of the Svadeshi Mills Co. Ltd., and on or towards the West by New Queens Road.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1939.

BHAISHANKER KANGA AND GIRDHARLAL, Purchaser's Attorneys.

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Under instructions from Messrs THAKORDAS and MADGAVKAR, Attorneys for the Mortgagee and at the risk of Ratanlal Hiralal, the Mortgagor, under the powers reserved to the Mortgagee under the deed of Mortgage, dated 23rd February 1937, all the right, title, interest, claim, and demand of the Mortgagor, under Consent Decree, dated 24th January, 1933, in Suit No. 2560 of 1927 (Bai Pushpavati vs. Bai Lilavati, widow and others) in the properties moveable and immoveable described in the Schedule hereunder written will be sold by public auction by Messrs D. MISTRY and CO., Auctioneers, at 15 Elphinstone Circle, Fort, at 4 p.m. (S.T.) on THURSDAY, the 9th day of March, 1939. For further particulars apply to Messrs Thakordas and Madgavkar, Attorneys for the Mortgagee at their office at Fort Chambers function of Dean Lane and Humum Street or to the undersigned:—

**SCHEDULE**

**Description of moveable properties**

**SECURITIES**

5 p.c. 1945-55 Loan of the aggregate face value of Rs. 41,300 as follows:—

| | Rs. |
|---|---|
| 8 pieces bearing Nos. B058337—38—39—40—41—42—43 and H008275 each for Rs. 5,000 .. | 40,000 |
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| 3 pieces Nos. B048897, B070170—71 each for Rs. 100 .. | 300 |
| | 41,300 |

**SHARES**

Two hundred shares of the Belapur Co., Ltd., 100 bearing Nos. 18775 to 18864 and Nos. 18985 to 18994, 100 bearing Nos. 69858 to 69957 and of the face value of Rupees Fifty each and of the total face value of .. 10,000

Five hundred shares of the Jupiter General Insurance Co., Ltd., bearing Nos. 70895 to 71394 of the face value of Rs. 100 (Rs. 15 paid) each and of the total face value of (Rs. 7500 paid) .. 50,000

**Description of immoveable Properties at Bombay.**

**BOMBAY**

All that piece or parcel of Pension and tax (now redeemed) land or ground situate, lying and being at Girgaum Back Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 220 square yards or thereabouts together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon being a portion of a larger piece of land bearing Collector's New No. 2|7390, Cadastral Survey No. 1|1278 of Girgaum Division and which piece of land and hereditaments is assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under D Ward Nos. 1646(2) and 1647, Street Nos. 36 and 4 and are bounded as follows that is to say on or towards the North by the property of Krishnaji Anandrao Dhume on or towards the South by the property of Narayan Bhikoba Dadarkar on or towards the West by a common passage leading to Girgaum Back Road on or towards the East by the property of the City of Bombay Improvement Trust and which said property is now in possession of the trustees of the trusts of the said Consent decree, dated 24th January 1933.

**AT CAMBAY**

(1) One house at Cambay, outside Dhanjishaw's Pole front door facing the North bounded towards the South by the house of Ghanchi Naran Ishwar on the Main Road, towards the East by the house of Ghanchi Chunilal Jaitha and towards the West by the Dehola of Manilal Jugaldas.

(2) One house in Dhanjishaw's Pole front door facing the West bounded towards the North by the passage leading to Khadki the road pact facing the East and towards the South by the house of Shah Pranvallabhdas Ishwar.

(3) One house outside Dhunjishaw's Pole bounded towards the East by Road leading to Ghanchi Ukerda, towards the North by the Road leading to Kadia Pole and towards the West by the house of Salat Magan Sobhgar.

(4) One house front door facing the South opposite the house No. 1 purchased from Khatri Pransukh Mulchand and bounded towards the West by the house of Manilal Jugaldas on the East by the compound of Khatri Pransukh on the North by the compound of Manilal and between which there is a common passage and towards the South by a Road leading to Kadia Pole.

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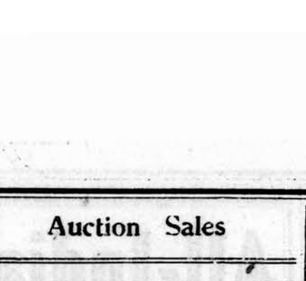

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# All-India Weather

(From Our Correspondent.)
POONA, March 3.

The following are the maximum-minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at various stations during twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. to-day:—

| Station | Rainfall: Max Min. | Past 24 Hours Total | Since 1st Nov | Temperature: Difference to normal. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Agra | 73 43 | — | 1.2 | —0.2 |
| Amraoti | 93 65 | — | 0.3 | —1.6 |
| Akola | 91 61 | — | ... | —1.7 |
| Ahmedabad | 87 61 | — | 0.1 | —0.2 |
| Ajmer | 68 48 | — | 1.6 | +0.5 |
| Ahmednagar | 90 48 | — | ... | —1.4 |
| Ambala | 65 49 | — | 5.2 | +1.1 |
| Allahabad | 82 54 | — | 1.3 | —0.6 |
| Benares | 84 54 | — | 3.0 | +1.1 |
| Bareilly | 74 48 | — | 1.1 | —1.5 |
| BOMBAY | 83 69 | — | 1.1 | +0.5 |
| Bangalore | 89 65 | — | 0.7 | —3.2 |
| Bhopal | 82 49 | — | 0.4 | ... |
| Baroda | 88 55 | — | ... | — |
| Belgaum | 92 64 | — | 1.1 | —1.1 |
| Bahawalpore | 65 41 | — | 0.7 | —0.2 |
| Bijapur | 93 69 | — | 0.1 | —1.5 |
| Bellary | 97 69 | — | 0.1 | —2.5 |
| Bhavnagar | 85 54 | — | 0.5 | +0.1 |
| Chittagong | 89 69 | — | 4.6 | +1.4 |
| Calcutta | 93 72 | — | 1.7 | —0.7 |
| Cuttack | 99 72 | — | 0.7 | —2.2 |
| Cawnpore | 80 52 | — | 1.3 | —0.5 |
| Calicut | 90 73 | — | 7.5 | —5.5 |
| Colombo | 88 71 | — | 15.3 | —8.4 |
| Cheerapunji | 70 54 | — | 4.9 | —2.3 |
| Cocanada | 96 71 | — | 10.2 | +3.4 |
| Cochin | 87 75 | — | 6.7 | —3.1 |
| Dehra Dun | 67 43 | — | 3.4 | —2.5 |
| Delhi | 71 47 | — | 1.5 | —0.8 |
| Dehra I. Khan | 63 41 | — | 1.4 | +0.2 |
| Darjeeling | 57 41 | — | 0.9 | —1.9 |
| Desa | 80 55 | — | 0.2 | —0.2 |
| Dalhousie | — — | 1.8 | 21.1 | +3.9 |
| Fort Sandeman | 50 29 | — | 4.7 | +2.2 |
| Gorakhpur | 85 54 | — | 1.1 | —0.5 |
| Hyderabad (Dn.) | 96 67 | — | ... | —1.7 |
| Hyderabad (Sd.) | 70 50 | — | 0.8 | +0.2 |
| Indore | 82 50 | — | ... | —1.1 |
| Jhansi | 77 49 | — | 0.7 | —0.7 |
| Jubbulpore | 85 53 | — | 1.8 | —0.7 |
| Jacobabad | 68 44 | — | 1.8 | +0.9 |
| Jaipur | 68 43 | — | 1.4 | +0.3 |
| Karwar | 87 70 | — | 1.8 | —0.4 |
| Karachi | 73 58 | — | 2.3 | +1.2 |
| Kodaikanal | 66 45 | — | 19.0 | +2.1 |
| Khandwa | 90 55 | — | 0.3 | —0.9 |
| Lucknow | 80 50 | — | 1.0 | —0.9 |
| Ludhiana | 66 44 | — | 3.3 | —0.6 |
| Lahore | 65 45 | — | 4.0 | +1.5 |
| Lyallpur | 65 43 | — | 2.3 | +1.0 |
| Multan | 63 40 | — | 1.8 | +0.7 |
| Mysore | 91 63 | — | 1.0 | —2.3 |
| Madras | 96 66 | — | 3.3 | —18.5 |
| Marmagoa | 85 73 | — | 1.0 | ... |
| Malegaon | 90 54 | — | 0.1 | —0.9 |
| Mussoorie | — — | — | — | — |
| Mahableshwar | 83 63 | — | 1.3 | —0.7 |
| Murree | 36 26 | — | 17.7 | +7.9 |
| Mount Abu | 64 49 | — | 0.7 | —0.1 |
| Masulipatam | 90 69 | — | 15.5 | +8.4 |
| Mandalay | — — | — | — | — |
| Mangalore | 88 74 | — | 2.1 | —1.7 |
| Meerut | — — | — | 4.4 | +1.6 |
| Mercara | 83 58 | — | 2.9 | —1.4 |
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| Rajkot | 84 53 | — | ... | —0.4 |
| Sialkot | 64 43 | — | 7.4 | +2.7 |
| Srinagar | 39 29 | — | 11.0 | +3.3 |
| Sholapur | 97 68 | — | ... | —1.7 |
| Shillong | 74 53 | — | 4.7 | +1.4 |
| Simla | 45 35 | — | 5.2 | —2.5 |
| Surat | 89 59 | — | ... | —0.4 |
| Salem | 98 66 | — | 1.5 | —3.8 |
| Trichinopoly | 98 66 | — | 4.5 | —5.0 |
| Trivandrum | 88 75 | — | 6.2 | —4.2 |
| Vizagapatam | 86 75 | — | 2.1 | +6.3 |

T indicates rainfall of 1 to 4 Cents.

### THUNDER SHOWERS IN PUNJAB HILLS.

POONA, March, 3.

A few thunder showers have occurred in the Punjab hills and over the belt from Orissa to Assam, Dalhousie reporting two inches. A western disturbance is approaching the North-West Frontier.

Temperatures were appreciably below normal in North-West India West United Provinces, Central India.

Forecast until the evening of 4th: Scatteredfalls of rain or snow are likely in North-West Frontier and Kashmir. A few light showers are also likely in North Bengal and Assam.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 3-3-1939.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours —.065 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 73.1 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 59.9 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 83.2 degrees 1.1 (below normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 68.9 degrees 0.4 (below normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 42 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. N.

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m 6 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 247 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 29 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10). 0.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 3-3-39

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 76.8 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.07 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.88 inches.

For correction of ship's instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

## RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

### G. I. P. Railway

(IN FORCE FROM OCTOBER, 1938)

Arrivals at and Departures from Victoria Terminus.

| | Arr. H.M | Dep. H.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Madras Mail | 6 00 | 22 10 |
| Peshawar Lucknow (Exp.) | 6 15 | 23 00 |
| Calcutta Mail (Nagpur) | 7 50 | 17 40 |
| Calcutta Mail (Chheoki) | 9 00 | 20 45 |
| Madras Express | 10 10 | 15 00 |
| Poona Mail | 10 25 | 17 30 |
| Punjab Mail | 11 15 | 18 50 |
| Nagpur Express | 13 50 | 21 35 |
| Poona Fast (Pass.) | 17 00 | 11 50 |
| Poona Express | 19 24 | 8 05 |
| Allahabad Express | 20 15 | 7 00 |

### B. B. & C. I. Railway

Time-table in force from 1st October, 1938.

Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.

| | Arr. H.M. | Dep. H.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Ahmedabad Passenger | 5 35 | 13 50 |
| Delhi Express | 6 00 | 22 15 |
| Gujarat Mail | 6 45 | 22 00 |
| Kathiawar Mail | 7 25 | 21 30 |
| Frontier Mail | 8 15 | 21 15 |
| | (Mon | (Sat) |
| *The Flying Ranee Surat | 9 48 | 15 10 |
| The Flying Ranee, Surat | 10 58 | 18 05 |
| Ahmedabad Passenger | 14 15 | 22 30 |
| Kathiawar Express | 18 45 | 8 45 |
| Baroda Passenger | 20 33 | 9 25 |

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER

| | Arr. |
|---|---|
| Frontier Mail (On Saturdays only for Homeward Passengers) | 8 40 |

### AIR MAIL TIMINGS

The following air mail time table is in force in Bombay:—

**LONDON—BOMBAY (Juhu).**

Planes call at Karachi, Bhuj and Ahmedabad.

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1 p.m.

Delivery: Monday (two deliveries) 8 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3-30 p.m.

**BOMBAY (Juhu)—LONDON**

Planes call at Ahmedabad, Bhuj and Karachi.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O.:—Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 7-30 a.m. Departure from Juhu 10-15 a.m.

**BOMBAY (Juhu)—COLOMBO**

Planes call at Hyderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O.:—Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 11-30 a.m. Departure from Juhu 1-30 p.m.

**COLOMBO—BOMBAY (Juhu)**

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 9-45 a.m. Delivery, Sunday 12-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1 p.m.

**BOMBAY (via Calcutta)—SINGAPORE and AUSTRALIA.**

Latest hour of posting:—Monday, Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

**AUSTRALIA—BOMBAY (via Calcutta)**

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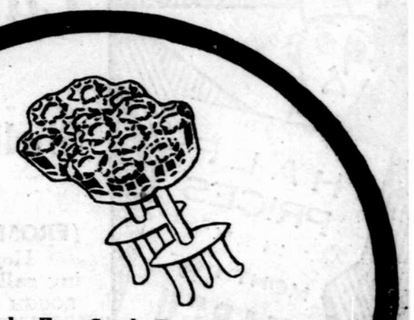

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I went to see "DEVATA," the film which opened to-day in Poona, at the special invitation of Mr. Panditrao and friends. I rarely visit theatres and I do not read many plays; hence I am not quite in a position to expound upon what I saw and heard. Naturally, therefore, my views on "DEVATA" would be those of an ordinary spectator. I was attentively seeing and hearing whatever came on the screen. I found the picture very attractive. I felt that some of the new currents of thought in the social field to-day were well portrayed; particularly impressive was the rendering of the modern-thinking educated young women of to-day. Most of the artists have given a praiseworthy performance. The picture is worth at least one visit from those men and women whose thinking is progressive.

DHONDO KESHAV KARVE.

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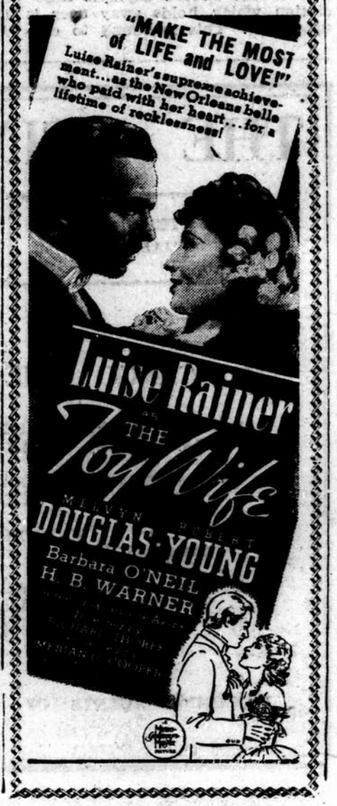
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# Latest Gallops At Mahaluxmi

## Shelley, Floataloan And Quidnunc Shape Well

(FROM "OUR" TRACK CORRESPONDENT)

**Horses engaged on Monday have had their working gallops.**

ROUGH SEA (Selby) shaped better than BOULDNOR (Rook) in a sharply run ten furlongs.

BRIGHT HOPE (Maxwell) had RATEPAYER (Mendoza) beaten over seven furlongs.

BONHEUR (Meherji) covered a nice pace mile-and-a-quarter in pleasing style.

SHELLEY (Britt) was superior to BHAGWAZENDA II. (R. Boy) over a brisk ten furlongs. Former is in good trim.

QUIDNUNC (Brace) showed good speed for seven furlongs. Must be winning a race before the close-down.

FLOATLOAN (R. Boy) put in a smart gallop over seven furlongs. Keep an eye on this one. He is an useful type.

FUN OF THE FAYRE (Britt) beat NAIDOR (R. Boy) in a dash over seven furlongs.

GAY LADY (Bond) did six furlongs very satisfactorily fit and well.

BUNNY SMITH (Burn) and MINIVER (Whiteside) were sent together ovr a seven furlongs gallop. They gave a very satisfactory display.

NONE SO DEAR (Burn) held a slight advantage over LITTLE AUDREY (Marrable) at the end of a seven furlongs dash.

SOLTERO (Britt) and SATYR (R. Boy) contested a fast seven furlongs. Former slightly superior.

AFTALON (Marrable) showed up well over seven furlongs. Another likely to win before the season's close-down.

ROSE MARIE (Brace) beat PRIDE OF INDIA (Sibbritt) over a fast seven.

BELL BOY (Simpson) went well with MAZARIN (Rook) in a five furlongs dash.

PRINCESS ZUBEDA (Hutchins) accounted for OSMAN PASHA (Maxwell) in a four furlongs dash. She is one to note.

TOHOLLA (R. Boy) did a working gallop over nine furlongs and pleased.

JIRNAS (Selby) moved freely in a nine furlongs spin. Fit and well.

GOLDEN TICKET (Britt) strode out smartly in a nine furlongs gallop.

LEGION (Whiteside) traversed nine furlongs at a strong pace.

LION (R. Boy) and MALTA (Britt) were sent a sharp seven furlongs when they pleased.

# Selections For To-day's Races

## Dominic Should Win Aga Khan's Spring Cup

BY "SENEX"

Though taking on a stiffer proposition this time DOMINIC should be equal to the task of winning the Aga Khan's Spring Cup. I select him to win.

**2-15 p.m. THE QUARRYMAN PLATE.—6 Furlongs.**

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| PEERESS | 1 |
| BHUTNATH | 2 |

**2-45 p.m. THE KURLA PLATE. Div. I.—6 Furlongs.**

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| NAZAR | 1 |
| WADIA | 2 |
| PRETTY PRINCE | 3 |

**3-15 p.m. THE KURLA PLATE. Divi. II.—6 Furlongs.**

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| LOVELY ONE | 1 |
| MUNOFAK | 2 |
| SMALL DIAMOND | 3 |

**3-45 p.m. THE SYRIAN PLATE. Div. II.—6 Furlongs.**

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| DARMAN SURI | 1 |
| SARKHAT | 2 |
| FARHAN PASHA | 3 |

**4-15 p.m. THE SYDNEY PLATE.—1 1/4 Miles.**

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| NIGHT ALARM | 1 |
| MENADO | 2 |
| SPILT WINE | 3 |

**4-45 p.m. THE SYRIAN PLATE. Div. I.—6 Furlongs.**

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| WHITE FLOWER | 1 |
| BURGESS | 2 |
| GHAZALAN | 3 |

**5-15 p.m. THE AGA KHAN'S SPRING CUP.—1 1/4 Miles.**

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| DOMINIC | 1 |
| FIELD MARSHAL | 2 |
| DIGNITARY | 3 |

**5-45 p.m. THE FERINOY PLATE. Div. II.—7 Furlongs.**

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| MASQUE | 1 |
| LORD BYRON | 2 |
| CALL O' THE GLEN | 3 |

**6-15 p.m. THE FERINOY PLATE. Div. I.—7 Furlongs.**

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| BASTION | 1 |
| JOVIAL PRINCE | 2 |
| CAVALIER | 3 |

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## Inter-Club Tennis Tournament For Tata Shield

(BY LOOKER-ON.)

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**THE DRAW.**

For this year's competition, eight clubs have entered the lists and they are Parsi Gymkhana, Hindu Gymkhana, Cricket Club of India, Y.M.C.A., Bandra Gymkhana, Khatau Sports Club, "The Times of India" Sport Club and Bombay Gymkhana. The teams have been bracketted in the Draw in the order mentioned above. The first and the last bracketted teams will play at the Bombay Gymkhana's Queen's Road Courts to-day from 4 to 7 p. m., and the others would meet on Sunday. The Semifinals and the final will be played next week-end.

Each club will be represented by three pairs who will meet one another in Doubles matches. The best of three sport sets will decide each match, and whoever wins the majority of the matches will win the tie. In the event of a draw, the number of sets, and if not the games will decide the issue. So every game and set in this Tournament has a greater value than ordinarily the case. Some very interesting contests are likely to be seen in these engagements. To enable the public to enjoy them, the Committee has arranged for seating accommodation. The daily charges per seat will be four annas only.

**WORLD TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The World's Table Tennis Championships for the Corbillon and Swaythling Cups will be staged at Cairo from March 6 to 12. Twelve nations have entered for the competitions and they are: Egypt, England, France, Czechoslovakia, India, Germany, Greece, Lithuania, Luxemberg, Palestine, Rumania and Yugoslavia. Almost all the leading Table Tennis players of the world are expected to assemble at Cairo. I understand that India is definitely going to contest, despite the lack of public sympathy and support to the venture. Two of the best players in this country, M. Ayub and G. S. Konda from the Punjab, have cried off. India will, therefore be represented by A. Ghosh and D. R. Bhasin from Bengal and K. H. Kapadia from Bombay and C. N. Ranjan from Madras. Although they are not of the highest world standard, they are expected to put up a decent show against anybody. Anyway the lesson gained now will stand them in good stead in future.

**ALL-INDIA CYCLING.**

Many a supporter of cycling in Bombay will heave a sigh of relief at the eleventh hour cancellation of the All-India Cycling events which were to be held this week-end at the Brabourne Stadium. The reason is that the newly-formed Federation had assumed control of cycling in India without the approval and sanction of the Indian Olympic Association which holds sway over it upto now. This is bound to create trouble between these two bodies. The natural course for the Federation is to settle the matter amicably with the I. O. A. I do not think they will try to smother anybody for doing what is right and essential for this branch of sport. The only thing necessary for general approval is its broad-based constitution and wide representation on its body. As I said on a previous occasion, the organisers of the Federation should move in this direction before attempting to embark on a fighting expedition with the I. O. A. and its Provincial Associations.

# AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY, Friday.

An alleged inter-continental Egyptian smuggler was arrested by Inspector Hudson of the Excise Police on the Mohurrum day.

On receiving information about the alleged activities of Zakaria Mohamed El-Hindi, a net was spread at Bhendi Bazaar on Thursday and, towards the evening, Inspector Hudson and Rao Saheb Shete got at him.

A special posse of excise men was on the spot and, on a search of the room of Zakaria, it is alleged, 6-1/2 lb. of charas was recovered from a suit case, cleverly concealed in a smaller suit case.

It was stated that the alleged smuggler was carrying on his activities and was exporting the drugs through the seafaring men of Cairo, Palestine and Egypt, evading the watch of the Central Narcotic Intelligence Bureau of Egypt.

Zakaria is stated to be a very fashionably dressed man and elusive in his ways.

The accused was ordered to be released on bail in a sum of Rs. 500, (cash Rs. 400) at the Esplanade Court.

## *Easy Victory For Cahn's Eleven*

OAMARU, March, 2.

In the match between Cahn's XI and Combined South Ireland Colleges, Cahn's XI won by an innings and 29 runs.

SCORES

Cahn's XI first innings 380 for six declared (Jackson 133; Oldfield 104 not out).

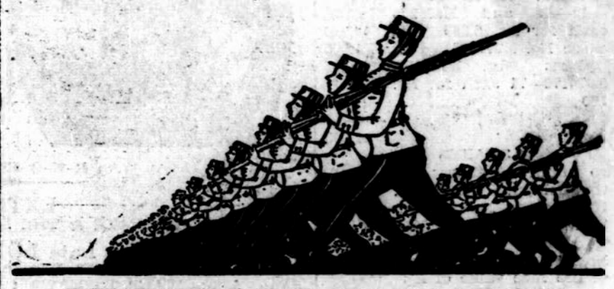
Combined South Ireland Colleges first innings 84 (Peter Smith (Essex) took seven wickets for four runs). Second innings 87 (Walsh 5 for 33 and Jackson 4 for 12).—Reuter.

**HUME HIGH SCHOOL**

Under the presidentship of Mr. Prabhashankar Ramchandra Bhatt, a Social Evening for the past and present pupils of the school will be held in the School Compound, Victoria Gardens Road, Byculla, to-day (Saturday), from 4 to 7-30 p.m. A programme of competitive games, School Work Photographic Exhibition and Physical Culture Display is arranged. All friends and past pupils of the school are cordially invited to attend.

**GENERAL SPORTS AT ANDHERI**

Under the auspices of the Andheri Recreation Club general sports will be held to-day (Saturday), and to-morrow (Sunday), from 4-45 p.m. The prize distribution gathering will be held on Sunday the 5th March 1939 at 4-45 p.m. Sheth Manmohan M. Amersey has kindly consented to preside and Mrs. Shakuntala Amersey will give away the prizes. All are cordially invited to attend.

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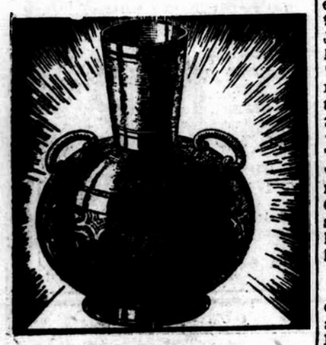

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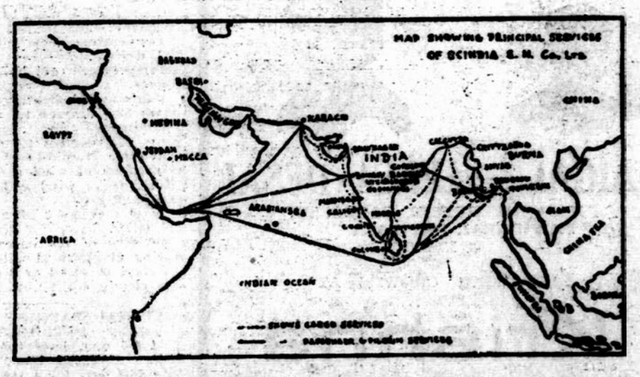


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Lowtide: 4-52; 16-49
Sunrise: 6h. 57m.
Sunset: 6h. 46m.
Legislative Assembly, 8 a.m.
Legislative Council, 11-30 a.m.
S. S. "Cathay" with mails for London sails at 1 p.m.
Bombay Races: Second Day of Spring Meeting, first race starts at 2-15 p.m.

### Monday, March 6

Holi: Public Holiday.
Banks closed.

### Tuesday, March 7.

Haj Committee 5 p.m.

## Domestic Occurrence

**DEATH**

JEHANGHIR FRAMJI BATLIBOI—Aged 74, husband of Baj Soonabai and father of Kaikhusroo, Cavasji, Ardeshir, and Miss Bachubai, died on 3rd March, 1939. Funeral at 8 a.m. (S.T.) to-day (Saturday), at 48, Ridge Road.

**MYSORE ASSOCIATION, BOMBAY**

A moonlight dinner has been arranged at the premises of the Association, Matunga, to-day (Saturday), at 8 p.m.

**SCHOOL OF INDIAN MUSIC**

The weekly concert of the school will be held to-day (Saturday), at the school hall, at 5-30 p.m. Benham Hall Lane, Bombay 4.

**POSTAL NOTICE**

Superscribed regd. and unregd. correspondence for Jedda (Hedjaz) per s.s. "Alavi" via Karachi will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 4-30 and 5 p.m. respectively on Monday the 6th instant.

**ROYAL INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE**

Prof. V. Seetharaman will lecture on "Recent trends in Differential Geometry" at the Royal Institute of Science to-day (Saturday), at 4-30 p.m. the annual social gathering will be held on the 18th March and not on the 11th as previously announced.

**'G' WARD D.C.C. OPENS HINDI CLASS AT DHARAVI**

In the presence of a big gathering including elite of the locality representing all communities and castes, Sjt. N. N. Menon opened a Hindi Class at Dharavi organised by the 'G' Ward District Congress Committee on Wednesday.

**MATUNGA PREMIER SCHOOL**

The annual prize distribution of Matunga Premier School (for boys and girls) will be held to-day (Saturday), at Nappoo Hall at 8 p.m. under the presidentship of Sjt Seth Ramji Ravji Sojpal.

**BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN EXTENSION LECTURES**

Pandit Jayachandra Vidyalankar, Professor of Indian History, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, will deliver a lecture on Evolutionary Process in Indian History (in Hindi), at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday), in the Lecture Hall of the University Buildings (South-Wing: Ground Floor).

**LECTURE ON RAJA YOGA**

Swami Sambuddhananda of Ramakrishna Ashram Khar, will deliver a public lecture on "Survey of Raja Yoga" as based on Kurma Puranam", at the Batliboy's Accountancy Institute Hall, Prescot Road, Fort, Bombay, to-day (Saturday), at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.).

**BOMBAY FIELD CLUB**

The Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi will open the Exhibition of reproductions and reconstructions of Indian Frescoes by Mr. Sarkis Kachademies at the University Convocation Hall to-day (Saturday), at 5 p.m. under the auspices of the Bombay Field Club.

**STEAMER MOVEMENTS**

Messrs. Turner, Morrison and Co., Ltd., Bombay, inform that s.s. "Khosron" is expected to arrive here with about 263 pilgrims and 27 passengers on 4-3-1939, and arrangements have been made to disembark them at No. 15 Victoria Dock Wharf at about 1-30 p.m.

**SIR PURSHOTTAMDAS THAKORDAS**

Sir Purshottamdas Thakordas is a candidate from the Indian Merchants Chamber for election to the Bombay Port Trust to represent the Cotton Trade. The Board of the East India Cotton Association have unanimously resolved that he should stand as a candidate this year.

**STUDENTS' LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY**

A prize distribution gathering of the Girls' School of the Students' Literary and Scientific Society, Bombay, will be held to-day (Saturday), at 5-30 p.m. at St. Xavier's College Hall, Cruickshank Road. The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay will preside and distribute prizes.

**KHAR GYMKHANA TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

All the crowd that had collected on Thursday at Khar Gymkhana expecting a grim struggle in the Finals of the doubles tournament were rather disappointed as the affair proved to be one sided. Though there were occasional flashes of brilliance in the game of Bhasker Mehta and Jayker there was nothing like consistency. Rao Bahadur Mangesh Rao and Dinker Rao from the very start took the lead in both the sets and defeated their opponents by a comfortable margin of 6-2, 6-3.

## AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

METRO—"The Toy Wife" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Dawn Patrol" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Suez" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bhabi" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Not Wanted on Voyage" Daily at 4, 6-20 and 10 p.m.
EROS—"Girls' School" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Ladies Only" Daily at 4-15, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m. Sunday morning show, at 10 a.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Zorro Rides Again" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Devata" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
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MAJESTIC—"Bramhachari" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.

## Send Off To Volunteers To Jaipur

In a meeting held on Friday afternoon at Sitaram Poddar Balika Vidyalaya Hall New Building, Fanaswadi, the Marwari ladies of Bombay gave a hearty send-off to the 2nd batch of Bombay Satyagrahis bound for Jaipur, of which consisted of Messrs. Indermal Modi (Captain), Ramniwas Kavyatirth, Naval Kishor Sharma, Ladu Ram Gujar and Narain Das Bajaj.

Shrimati Shushila Devi Bajpai, Head Mistress of the Sitaram Poddar Balika Vidyalaya was in the chair. Mrs. Sonabai and Mrs. Indermal Modi, also spoke.

Another send-off to the volunteers will be given at Marwari Samnelan Hall on Sunday afternoon.

**BENARES RESIDENTS' MEETING**

A meeting will be held at the Buffaloes' Stable, to-day (Saturday), at 8 p.m. (S.T.), at Chandanwadi, of Benares residents in Bombay, where speeches on the grievances of the Benares State people will be made.

**MOONLIGHT BAND AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS**

By kind permission of W R. G. Smith Esq., C. I. E., Commissioner of Police, the Band of the Bombay City Police will play a programme of music at the Victoria Gardens to-day (Saturday), commencing from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. (S.T.) Moonlight.

**MUNICIPAL WORKERS' UNION, BOMBAY**

A meeting of the Managing Committee of the Municipal Workers' Union, Bombay, will be held to-day (Saturday), at the Office of the Union at Foras Road at 7 p.m (S.T.). All the members are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

**BOMBAY PRESIDENCY ANJUMAN TARAQQI-E-URDU**

Under the auspices of the Provincial "Anjumani Taraqqi-e-Urdu a public lecture on "Hindustani" will be delivered by Dr. Abdul Haq at Anjumani Islam Hall Hornby Road, to-day (Saturday), at 7-30 p.m. Mr. Faiz B. Tyebji, M. A. Bar-at-Law will preside.

**OPENING OF PICTORIAL EDUCATION AND HANDICRAFT CLASSES**

Aunty Gwen of "The Illustrated Weekly of India" will be opening the Free Y. F. L. and B. E. A. classes in Pictorial Education and Handicrafts, at 5 Co-operative House on Sunday morning at 8 a.m.

Mr. V. R. Annaswami Rao, artist will demonstrate the educative value of Pictures and Handicrafts. To spur the ambition of the youngsters an exhibition of selected drawings, sketches and handicraft models will be displayed

**HINDUSTAN SCOUTERS AND LITERACY CAMPAIGN**

At a meeting of the All Bombay Scouters' Circle held on Thursday 2nd March at Asoka Scout Hut, Dadar, which was attended by scouters from Bombay and suburbs it was unanimously resolved to co-operate with the "Literacy Campaign Committee" to make the campaign a success.

Great enthusiasm was evinced during the discussion and as many as twenty scout masters have undertaken the work in hand, and are in communication with Miss Godavari Gokhale, the secretary of the committee. It is hoped that a good number of scouters, rovers and senior scouts will take advantage of this opportunity for service, and enlist themselves as volunteers.

**YOUNG MEN'S HINDU ASSOCIATION**

Under the auspices of the Association Birthday Anniversary of Shri Ramkrishna Paramahansa will be celebrated in the premises of the Association, Vithalbhai Patel Road, to-day (Saturday), at 6-30 p.m. when the Hon. Mr. G. V. Mavlankar will preside and Principal Kashmirasing and Prof. V. N. Naik will speak.

**ACHHUT KANYA SHOW IN AID OF SHARADA MANDIR**

Bombay Talkies' "Achhut Kanya" was screened in the Krishna Talkies on Sunday the 26th February, in aid of the above institution. The house was full and the people in Bombay showed their sympathy and support to the institution by attending the show in great numbers. The authorities of the school are very pleased to announce that the school could realise a sum of Rs. 516 from the above show.

During the interval the Principal of the school gave prizes to the girls who collected the largest amounts for the school and thanked all those who rendered help in making the performance a great success.

**MOGAVEERA FREE NIGHT SCHOOL**

Under the auspices of the above school, Mr. B. Narsappa, Associate Editor, "Badavara-Bandhu", Mangalore, will speak on "Kanarese Literature" to-day (Saturday), at 7-30 p.m. at 145, Mody Street, Fort.

**ROSHANARA BEGUM'S CONCERT**

A concert of classical light music by Miss Roshanara Begum, will take place, at Dadar, Kitte Bhandari Hall, Gokhale Road (North) to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m. sharp under the auspices of Ideal Musico.

## MR. BHAVANJI ELECTED

### Merchants Vote For Congress

In the Municipal contest between Mr. Bhavanji Arjun Khimji and Mr. L. R. Tairsee to represent Indian Merchants Chamber at the Municipal Corporation, the former secured 230 votes as against 179 votes secured by the latter. Mr. Bhavanji Arjun Khimji was declared duly elected.

**LOKAMANYA SEVA MANDAL**

Under the auspices of the above mandal the public meeting will be held to-day (Saturday), at Bhartiya Tarun Sangha's Office Chinchpokli to demand holiday on Shivajayanti day.

**GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE SPORTS**

The annual athletic sports of the Grant Medical College Gymkhana will be held on the grounds of N. J. Wadia Grant Medical College Gymkhana Pavilion, Kennedy Sea Face, Marine Drive to-day (Saturday), at 1-30 p.m. the Hon. Mr G. V. Mavlanker, Speaker of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, will preside and Mrs. Mavlanker will distribute the prizes

**FREE HINDI CLASSES**

Free Hindi Classes for the beginners and the advanced will be held at the following places:—

(1) Sharada Sadan School, 1st Floor, Tata Road, (near Roxy Cinema) Opera House, on Sunday morning at 8 a.m.
(2) Saraswat Hall, Gamdevi, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evening between 4-45 p.m. and 5-45 p.m.
(3) Young Men's Hindu Association on Sunday morning at 7-30 a.m. Vithalbhai Patel Road.
(4) Rashtra Bhasha Kovid (Wardha) class in the Marwari Vidyalaya, 1st floor, Sandhurst Road, (side entrance) on Sunday morning at 7-30 a.m.

**PARTY TO DR. C. R. REDDY**

Dr. C. R. Reddy, Vice Chancellor of the Andhra University was the guest of honour at a party given at the Cricket Club of India, Bombay, on Tuesday evening by Mr. V. Sista, a leading member of the Andhra Community in Bombay. Prominent among those present were Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Vice Chancellor of the Bombay University, Mr. Sultan Chinoy, Mayor, the Hon. Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy, Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta, M.L.A., Dr. K. Venkatraman, Head of the University Department of Chemical Technology, Mr. I. Subbarao, M.L.C. (Madras) and S. R. Dongerkery, University Registrar.


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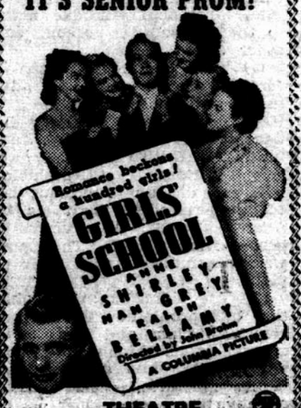


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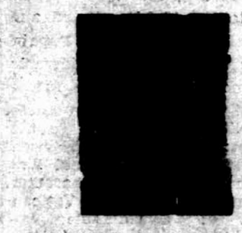

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# APPEAL TO RAJKOT RULER

Gandhiji began his threatened fast at noon on Thursday, not having received any satisfactory reply by then from the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot. Later he received a reply rejecting Gandhiji's suggestion. This means that the fast continues indefinitely until it is terminated either by the Mahatma's death or a timely settlement between him and the Thakore. The former alternative is too horried to contemplate but will be an irretrievable fact if a settlement is not effected in time. Millions in India and abroad therefore turn their thoughts now to the Thakore Saheb and expect him, in his own interests as also of his State and his country, to arrive at a settlement with the Mahatma without a single moment's avoidable delay.

## *Keep The Word*

After all, what is it that the Thakore Saheb is expected to do? It is nothing more than to keep his own word of honour, his own solemn settlement with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. As regards a few proposals of Gandhiji, apparently outside the four corners of the settlement, they are, as he points out in his letter to the Thakore Saheb, "for the protection both of the Prince and the people and for the purpose of preventing another breakdown of the settlement." It may be noted that Gandhiji has refrained from interfering with the Thakore's nominations of the persons outside the Parishad, so that the Ruler's prestige might not suffer. If the Thakore Saheb fears that a Reforms Committee with the personnel suggested by Gandhiji may make recommendations derogatory to his prestige, Gandhiji gives a solemn assurance in the following words: "I give you my word of honour that if I am then alive I shall critically examine the report that the reforms committee may prepare. If I am not, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel may do so and the examination will be such as to make sure that no damage is done to your prestige or the State or your people." The Thakore Saheb cannot expect any better guarantee of protection against unreasonable recommendations.

## *Viceroy's Duty*

It appears that the Thakore Saheb is himself a well-meaning, if weak-mind, ruler but is under the influence of evil advisers. If so, the public should scrupulously follow Gandhiji's advice not to pour abuse or threats on either of them. But the public cannot afford to remain passive spectators of Gandhiji's ordeal when at his age and in his present indifferent health every day of the fast is fraught with risk of increasing gravity. It is up to them to wean the Thakore Saheb from the bad influence surrounding him and also help him with sound advice. It is, therefore, desirable for all prominent persons whose views are likely to weigh with him to advise him, individually or collectively, through wires or letters or personal visit, to accept Gandhiji's proposals. And they should do so without any delay. It is necessary for the Thakore Saheb to realise vividly and at once what a terrible situation he has created. The Viceroy owes a special duty in this matter. Some officials of the Political Department have undoubtedly had their share in misleading the Thakore Saheb into violating his settlement with Sardar Vallabhbhai. That mischief needs to be rectified. Moreover, the Secretary of State for India has now publicly stated that the time has come when the Paramount Power should intervene more actively than it did before for giving the princes advice "with the object of raising the standard of their administration." He has also reiterated the view that the Princes are free, if they choose, "to bring about a radical change in the form of their Government." Mr. Gibson, the Resident at Rajkot, is understood by Gandhiji to have no objection to the Thakore Saheb implementing to the full the latter's settlement with Sardar Vallabhbhai. In these circumstances it is the duty of the Viceroy to advise the Thakore Saheb to respect his own solemn promise. A number of business bodies in Bombay, including the Indian Merchants' Chamber, have already urged the Viceroy to advise the Thakore as suggested above, and many more influential bodies and individuals will join in this appeal to the Viceroy. We trust the latter will promptly respond to the appeal. Whether he does so or not, we fervently hope the Thakore Saheb will respect the feelings of crores of his countrymen and will, by arriving at an immediate settlement with Gandhiji, save his State and the country from the terrible disaster that Gandhiji's fast portends.

# The New Pope

The elevation of Cardinal Pacelli to the highly coveted and important position of the Pope of Rome is an event of considerable significance both to the future policy of the Vatican and European politics in general. To the well-informed it has never been a secret that the Cardinal had dominated, through his character and personality as a Vatican diplomat of considerable experience, the judgments and decisions of the late Pope and the result of election had quite been predicted. That the new Pope will pursue the line of policy laid down by the late Pope who, like all the incumbents of the office of the Holy See before him, was inspired by the desire to see the power and prestige of the Church increased, is only to be expected. But whether he rises to the crisis through which the Church is passing at a moment when the rising and turbulent tide of international Fascism has all but engulfed the Christian civilization of Europe is yet to be seen.

For one thing the Cardinal who has become Pope is a personage whose knowledge of international affairs and experience gained with intimate contact with Vatican affairs are almost unique. The Pope to-day faces the future of the Church herself as perhaps no Pope in the recent past had ever been called upon to do with its utter uncertainty and dangers. The principal task to-day would appear to be the defence of the Church against the paganism of Fascism which is the rival of the Church. His Holiness will achieve this task if he strengthens the position of world democracy and disentangles it from the illusionary 'bete noire' of communism. And he will have also to maintain a stricter control of the Church administration all the world over and rid it of the corruption of Fascist orientation. For, to-day the Church, in certain countries at any rate, is represented as a mouthpiece of Fascism.

# Satyagraha Against Segregation

Slowly but steadily and deliberately the South African Whites are doing everything to make life, in a country which is not theirs, impossible for the coloured races including Indians. The "Star" of Johannesburg now confirms the unholy and intolerable scheme of segregation upon which the Minister of Interior has been working for some time: incidentally it is interesting to recall that the Government of India and their Agent were blissfully ignorant of it. The scheme is such that no Indian can possibly accept it. And since those whose moral and official duty is to protect the interests of India have neither the will nor the courage to live up to their 'raison d'etre', what remains for Indians in South Africa save to embark upon Satyagraha, which they are preparing to do in vindication of their rights and their self-respect?

# The Prohibition Programme

## *How We Can Profit By The American Failure*

By D. R. D.

Ever since the Congress Government launched its campaign of prohibition in the presidency a section of the public and Press has started a vicious propaganda against it. The Congress Government, they say, can ill-afford to lose valuabe money at this juncture. That money is much too precious to be thrown away. Its other great argument is that prohibition has 'failed' in every country where it was enforced, e.g., in he U.S.A.

This writer was living in America (U.S.A.) during those fateful years during which prohibition was in force in that great country. I can therefore say without fear of contradiction, that in spite of the colossal machinery that was brought into existence to defy prohibition by the underworld elements, mostly foreigners living in America, the prohibition experiment was avowedly a great success, and a blessing to the millions as long as it lasted.

**Causes of Failure**

The experiment may have failed in some parts, and in some places more than at others. But where it failed, the "failure" in many instances was due mainly to the following among some other causes

(1) The enormous in-rush of foreign "hood-looms" and adventurers and "racketeers" in he U.S.A. among others many Britishers and Italians and Japanese. The British especially were very notoriously anti-prohibitionists, and did an enormous deal of "rum-running", both via the Atlantic and from across the border from Canada. The papers were resounding with their exploits.

(2) The freedom with which the "anti-prohibition Press" could convey is plans and ideas to the general public through subtly written articles and cartoons and "funny" pictures, such as have already begun to appear in the Anglo-Indian press here.

(3) The partial failure of the police force of all ranks which though otherwise honest and dutiful, was terribly corrupted by the prospect of making "big money" from the "liquor kings". This failure was in itself due to the fact that the Police force consisted largely of 'foreigners', being usually drawn from the Irish, the British and Polish "citizens" of the American Republic.

(4) The failure of general public opinion mainly through 'indifferences.' The indifferent American public, which never bothered to know what was happening even in their own household, not to mention what was happening next doors or in the immediate neighbourhood. being so totally absorbed in its own individual pleasures.

**Remedial Measures**

If the above reasons, which in the main are very true, should teach us wisdom betimes, and bestir the Congress Governments to take proper remedial measures prohibition may well succeed in India, though it "failed" in the U.S.A, America and India may be alike in some respects. It is true. But it is equally true that they are not alike in many other respects. The following measures, if taken betimes, may go a long way in enforcing prohibition in India:—

(1) An effective check on the under-world foreign elements in India, of all nationalities, who of late appear to be entering India in larger and larger numbers, without hindrance to their movements in the country.

(2) 'Complete prohibition' of anti-prohibition articles, news, cartoons and "funny" pictures in newspapers, magazines, pamphlets etc., by law.

(3) Complete prohibition of advertisements, leaflets, booklets, of direct or insinuating a nature bearing on prohibition and against what it implies. Also a good machinery for seeing that this prohibition is enforced.

(4) An early and drastic corruption drive in the Police and Excise Departments, which had never had a good shaking since the days of the last Commissioner of Police, Sir Patric Kelly.

(5) The posting of trusted officers, if necessary from outside the Departments, in key positions both in the Police and Excise Departments, even some months

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# OUR EUROPEAN LETTER

## Britain And Germany

From Our Correspondent

PRAGUE, Feb. 24.

The issue of Anglo-German relations is much discussed in the European press this week. For this, two circumstances are specially responsible: the visits announced of the President of the Board of Trade and the Under Secretary for Trade in London to Germany and Sir John Simon's speech in the House of Commons giving various figures relating to British armament expansion programme. The first of these two reflects both a pressure in regard to foreign trade felt by Britain and a concern over Germany under the influence of a tightness advancing to adopt new moves to force export trade as indicated by Hitler in his last Reichstag speech. The visits announced to Berlin represent undoubtedly a care to reach at an understanding with Germany. At the same time, an additional interest directed to improve relations with Poland and Soviet Union and to develop contacts in South-eastern Europe reveal, an uncertainty well held about the prospects of an easy or early understanding of a satisfactory nature being arrived at with Germany. The comments of the German press about the British armament expansion moves are particularly sharp and severe. They project Berlin tending to see in the development, one bearing a mark against Germany. Britain is accused of pursuing a double path. There are veiled threats of Germany resorting to countermeasures, thought also as fitted to exercise an influence to get Britain to an helpful attitude with expectations in association being greatly centred round Chamberlain and some influential circles or groups near to him. In general, it may be stated, that there are increased reflections of Britain drifting to a course representing an opposition to Germny. In connection with such a view is deserving of good notice that there is good deal of anger and annoyance in Germany or from German side about the recent statements of President Roosevelt relating to European affairs. They are reckoned by Berlin as capable of exerting considerable weight on Britain in a way thought as likely to lend strength to opposition forces to Germany. This view is shared and endorsed by Italy and leading Italian papers also this week have many sharp attacks on Roosevelt. There is an even greater sensitiveness in Berlin about Roosevelt's declarations and currents released by them leading to reactions of an unfavourable character to Germany in Eastern Europe. The invitation extended by London to the Polish Foreign Secretary, Colonel Beck to visit England is viewed in Germany with an obvious irritation if not misgiving. There are also references in the German press displaying disfavour and concern over certain British visits newly to South-Eastern Europe, special mention in connection being made, to the visit of Brigadier General Beaumont Nesbitt to Sofia and Rear Admiral Sir Cecil Osborne to Bucharest,

### *Mediterranean Tension*

One result of the reckoning of a drift in British halt not favourable to Germany is the tendency in Berlin for extension of care and interest to support Italy in regard to the latter's Mediterrean aims. The Spanish situation is looked upon as suited to better the scope for this and in accordance there are also moves jointly with Italy to influence further developments in relation to Spain on the part of Germany. That the Mediterranean situation records a sharpening of strain is shown by the increase of Italian troops in Libya and the departure of Marshal Badoglio this week to Libya. France has also increased to a further extent troops both in Tunis and in French Somaliland. The tone of the Italian press to Britain records once again a departure. It is not so friendly as it was about the time of Chamberlain's visit to Rome and soon after. Reports from Palestine and Egypt in the German press indicate the trend of developments in North Africa being viewed by Britain with an added concern. According to the Cairo correspondent of a leading Berlin daily standing close to Wilhelmstrasse, the Chief of the British General Staff, Lord Gort, while newly in Egypt devoted special attention to inspection of the Libyan frontier region. He would appear to have visited various points of much strategic importance along the region and conducted conversations in some of them with high officers of the Egyptian army that there subsequently continued in Cairo. The fact is stressed that Lord Gort gave his attention in the first line to the Libyan frontier and only in the second line to Suez According to the correspondent referred to above the British Military Mission in Egypt has been considerably increased and its members now total round two hundred. The Mediterranean situation continues to be looked upon as being capable of bringing up sharp turns.

### *Czecho-Slovakia's Consolidation*

The Czecho-Slovak Foreign Minister, Dr. Chvalkovsky, in an important statement this week indicated that the task of consolidating Czecho-Slovakia on the new basis was one that needed careful attention. He stressed the importance of avoiding foreign political complications and carrying out various internal changes suited to help the former Dr. Chvalkovsky suggested that the fundamental issue was the assuring of a stability in relations with the neighbours and principally with Germany as the biggest of them. Apparently he considered the economic aspect as a less thorny one. And in reality there is an extended confidence about the economic position, that is, about the ability to retain economic stability on the new basis. The industrial position is satisfactory and so also the general course of the foreign trade, though in regard to trade with Germany and Poland there is an extension of passive balance ow-

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# FRANKLY SPEAKING

**POLAND AND FRANCE**

The visit of Count Ciano to Poland has been a picturesque failure. The Poles have declined, in pursuance of their own interests, to join the Rome-Berlin Axis. Poland is more inclined towards totalitarianism than democracy but is nervous as regards German designs. Hence her refusal. The French Press, however, prefers to regard it as a victory of Franco-Polish friendship. This is certainly not the case, although it is perfectly true, as the *L'Epoque* says, that "if Colonel Beck had united with Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini, France would immediately have felt the full pressure of Germany and Italy freed of their fear of their rear. This danger seems to have been, for the time being, set aside". Colonel Beck has undoubtedly rendered a service to France. But we doubt if he is foolish enough to have done so in expectation of any reciprocity from France—the fate of neighbouring Czecho-Slovakia is too recent for him.

**INEVITABLE DOOM**

The Cabinet, says a Tokyo message, has approved the special military budget totalling £310,000,000 of which £275,000,000 is the appropriation for the China war for the year ending March 1940. This high figure of 275 million pounds—even supposing it is not raised higher in the course of the year—represents only the direct expenditure which Japan has to meet in connection with the "China incident." There are indirect expenses. The figure, coupled with the fact that the economic strain has already eaten into the vitals of the Japanese Nation and its morale, points not to Japan's victory but to her inevitable doom.

**URGENT YET UNPUBLISHED**

In reply to a question in the House of Lords on Thursday Lord Zetland stated that His Majesty's Government proposed to introduce at an early date a Bill to amend the Government of India Act so as to remedy certain defects in its working "the remedying of which is a matter of urgent consequence." It is curious that, though the proposed amendments are a matter of urgent consequence, they have not yet been published and explained in India and might not have been referred to at all but for a question in Parliament. Even now the proposed amendments have not been even hinted at. It is only said that they do not raise any new principle, do not affect the Federal part of the Constitution, and "include one designed to remove, in the event of war serious deficiencies which the preparation of drafts of the emergency legislation which might then be required has disclosed in the powers intended to be made available by Section 102 of the Act to the Central Government." Whatever the amendments may be, since they affect India and are admitted to be urgent, they ought to have been published and explained by now.

**MERCHANTS' LOYALTY TO CONGRESS**

By electing Mr. Bhavanji Arjun Khimji as its representative to the Bombay Municipal Corporation the Indian Merchants' Chamber has not only added to Congress laurels but has also given one more proof of its loyalty to the Congress. Mr. Bhavanji has won by a decisive majority of 230 votes against 179, scored by his rival, Mr. Laxmidas Rowji Tairsee. Even ordinarily, this majority would be notable, considering Mr. Tairsee's seniority and his long established status in the public life of Bombay. It is particularly notable now when some businessmen of the city are grossly misrepresenting and vilifying the Congress because of the Bombay Congress Government's economic policy and their latest taxation proposals. The Indian Merchants' Chamber, however, has shown commendable insight by judging the Congress policy by the standard of public welfare, on which depends finally the welfare of the business community.

**WITHDRAWAL OF PRESS CONCESSION**

The proposal to abolish the present concession for telegraphic press messages directed to multiple addresses, which is under consideration by the Government of India, has naturally caused a certain amount of uneasiness among newspapermen. The financial condition of the Press in this country can hardly be regarded as satisfactory and it is not in a position to bear the extra burden of four lakhs, which the cancellation of the present concession will involve. As the deputation of the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society and News Agencies, which waited upon the Director-General of Posts and Telegraphs on Wednesday, observed, press messages have always been regarded as in a large measure a public utility service, and, therefore, in most countries Governments are prepared to accept some measures of loss on them. The withdrawal of the present facilities are thus not in the best interests of the public. It is to be hoped, therefore, that Government will not take a narrow and short-sighted view of the proposal and will abstain from an unconscionable imposition upon the Indian press.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A man may be honest and still take chances.

Too many cooking school graduates spoil the broth.

Time is caught by the tail more often than by the forelock.

Some men are born liars, while others are compelled to acquire the art.

Many a man who apparently acts like a fool is fooling you by not acting at all.

When a man is counting the probable cost of matrimony he should not forget the alimony.

WITHOUT COMMENT

The sentiment on the Bombay Stock Exchange was depressed today as a result of the reports from Rajkot about Mr. Gandhi's going on indefinite fast. All the shares and Government paper ruled weak.

—"Evening News of India

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Apropos of the proposed Bill to amend the India Act, Lord Zetland declared in the House of Lords: "I can assure Lord Samuel that it will not in any way affect the Federal provisions of the Act."

Good. It will keep the deck clear.

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The Paramount Power cannot bring pressure to bear upon Princes to bring about "a radical change in the form of their (sic) government," says Lord Zetland. For, "I have always said that that is a matter for the Princes themselves."

On the advice, of course, of Their Highnesses' "esteemed friends", the Residents.

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THE THAKORE'S AGONY
Gandhi Or Gibson?
Praja Parishad Or Paramount Power?

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DARBAR VIRAWALLA'S DILEMMA
To Be
Or
Not To Be

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It is, indeed, difficult, complains a correspondent, to understand the principle on which invitations were issued by the Colonial Office to the different parties for the (Palestine) Conference.

The inexplicability of the principle is its most effective elucidation

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The Labour Party has asked for a Parliamentary debate on Palestine because the British proposals (1) are a departure from the British policy, (2) involve a change in the conditions of the mandate and (3) do not fulfil the terms of the Balfour Declaration.

Which offers a threefold proof—what the British Labour Party is.

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British Air Estimates Increase By 50 Per Cent.
—Headline.

Can it be suggested that estimates of the potentialities of British "realism" have thereby decreased by 50 per cent?

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"I think we have got our tails up"—John Bull through Junior Minister R. S. Hudson speaking on Britain's present position.

But, let's hope, not wagging as usual.

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"North China" (yes, yes, you are right) will definitely join on March 10, the Yen Bloc, says a Tokyo message.

And the Yen itself is fast running away at the minimum rate of a thousand million a year.

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A French newspaper joyfully points out that Poland's refusal to join the Fascist Axis has helped to keep Italy and Germany in fear for their rear.

It is to be hoped that Herr Hitler does not proceed to secure his rear first and that Poland doesn't go the way of Czecho-Slovakia—with the blessings of France in return for her services.

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Our Italics

Mr. Butler stated in the House of Commons on Wednesday last that "there was, *at present*, no proposal for granting financial assistance to the Franco Government."

That is to say. Mr. Chamberlain would announce on Monday on Tuesday next that a decision to grant financial assistance was taken over the week-end—Signor Mussolini permitting, of course.

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Mrs.: 'Don't you think that talkative women are the most popular?'

Mr.: 'What other kinds are there?'

# Subhas Bose Defends Himself

## RID KATHIAWAR OF POLITICS OF INTRIGUE

## Fast Is No Coercion But Meant To Change Thakore's Heart

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choose a nominee, had to accept the Sardar's recommendations.

WHAT REASON SUGGESTS.

Reason also suggests that if the reference to the Committee was to be made good, it must be a Committee of the choice of those for whose sake the Notification containing the reference had become necessary. Otherwise what was given with one hand could be taken away with the other. If the choice is left to the ruler and his advisers, there is nothing to prevent them from appointing a Committee which would make recommendations such that they would completely nullify the spirit of the reference.

*UNTO DEATH.*

*However, the matter is past argument. If the Thakore Saheb's letter is the last word, my fast has to continue to the end of my time on this earth. I shall undergo the ordeal, I hope, with a cheerful heart and I know also that what may not take place in my life-time will take place without a shadow of doubt after the sacrifice."*

### *MAHATMA BEGINS FASTING*

RAJKOT, March 3.

Mahatma Gandhi having received no reply from the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot, commenced his fast at 12 noon after prayers.

All the inmates of the Rashtrayashala and a few journalists were present when the solemn ceremony took place.

The fast commenced after singing of Mahatma Gandhi's favourite song "Vaishnava Janata" and "Raghupathi Raghava Rajaram."

Immediately after prayers he released the text of his letter to the Thakore Saheb and also made a statement explaining the necessity for the release of the letter.

**After Mahatmaji began fasting he received Thakore Saheb's reply, rejecting his suggestions.**

### *GANDHIJI'S LETTER: FULL TEXT*

RAJKOT, Mar. 3.

The following is the full text of Gandhiji's letter to the Thakore Saheb: "Mehraban Thakore Saheb, I write this letter not without hesitation, but duty compels it.

You know the reason for my coming here. For three days I had conversation with Darbar Virawala. He gave me cause for intense dissatisfaction. He seems to be incapable of keeping his resolutions from moment to moment. Such is my opinion based upon my three days' contact with him. In my opinion his guidance has harmed the State.

Now I come to the object of this letter. At the time of leaving Wardha I had resolved that I would not leave Rajkot without inducing fulfilment of your promise, but I had never thought that I would have to be here for more than one or two days or that I would have to suffer what I have suffered.

My patience is exhausted. I should hasten to Tripuri, if it is at all possible. If I do not go over a thousand co-workers will be disappointed and lakhs of poor people will become disconsolate. Time therefore, has a special value for me at this juncture.

"I beseech you, therefore, to adopt with a full heart the following suggestions of mine and free me from the anxiety by speeding me on my return journey to-morrow:—

1. "You should announce to the people that your Notification No. 50, dated 26th December stands.

2. "You should cancel your Notification No. 61, dated 21st January. Names 2, 3, 5 and 7 of the Reforms Committee announced by you should stand and you should accept on behalf of the Rajkot Rajkiya Praja Parishad the following names:—(1) U. N. Dhebar, (2) P. P. Anada, (3) V.M. Shukla, (4) J. H. Joshi, (5) S. V Modi.

The underlined motive of this suggestion is that the Parishad should have a majority on its side.

(3) Shree U. Dhebar should be appointed as President of the Committee.

GUIDES & ADVISERS

(4) You should appoint three or less than three officials as guides and advisers to the Committee. They should be such as I could accept on behalf of the Parishad.

(5) They should have no vote in the proceedings of the Committee. You should issue instructions to the heads of the several departments of the State to furnish the Committee with such papers, figures and other material and assistance, as it may need. You should appoint for the use of the Committee suitable quarters in the Secretariat.

(6) My advice is that the advisers, whom you may appoint in terms of Clause 4, should form the Executive Council and that the Council should be responsible for the management of State in the spirit of the Notification of the 26th December, so as not to do anything likely to be injurious to its main purpose. One of them should be the President of the Council. You will unhesitatingly endorse the actions of the Council. If you deem it fit to appoint other persons than the advisers of the Committee as Councillors, the appointment should be made in consultation with me. The Committee should commence its proceedings on the 7th inst. and finish them by the 23nd inst. The enforcement of the recommendations of the Committee should take place within seven days of their being in your hands.

DISCHARGE PRISONERS

(7) The Satyagrahi prisoners should be discharged to-morrow (Friday), fines and execution of orders should be stopped, and fines collected and confiscations should be returned.

THREAT OF FAST.

"I gather from the conversation with Mr. Gibson that he will not interfere with whatever you may do in connection with the notification of the 26th December. If you cannot see your way to accept my suggestions before noon to-morrow, my fast will commence from that time and will continue till after acceptance. I trust that you will not regard the language of my letter to be stiff, and if I do use stiff language or my action appears to be such, I claim that right in connection with you. My father had the privilege of serving the State, when your grandfather was its Chief. Your father regarded me as a father to him. Indeed, at a public meeting he called me even his 'guru.' But I have been "guru" to no one.

Therefore, I have never regarded him as a disciple. You are, therefore, as son to me. It is possible that you do not regard me as father. If you do you will accept joyfully my submission in a moment and in addition will express your regret for what has befallen your people after the 26th December. You will please not consider me your or the State's enemy. I can never be anybody's enemy and have never been. I have implicit faith that in the acceptance of my submission to you lies your good, your prestige and your duty. If you will observe that in some of my suggestions I have gone outside the four corners of the notification of the 26th December such departure will be found to be merely superficial.

"YOUR PRESTIGE IN VIEW."

You will note that in not interfering with your nominations of the persons outside the Parishad, I have had solely in view your prestige. Thus that departure is purely in favour of the State.

If the other departures may not be so considered, they are solely due to what I have considered your breach of promise. In my view they are for the protection, both of the Prince and the people and for the purpose of preventing another break-down of the settlement.

In conclusion, I give you my word of honour that if I am then alive I shall critically examine the report that the reforms committee may prepare. If I am not, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel may do so and the examination will be such as to make sure that no damage is done to your prestige or the State or your people.

I am sending a copy of your letter to Mr. Gibson. I am not handing this letter to the press and I entertain the hope that you will gladly adopt my suggestion, so that I may never have to publish this letter.

May God bless you and give you the right guidance. Blessings from Mohandas."

### *POLITICS OF INTRIGUE*

RAJKOT, March 3.

In releasing the text of his letter to the Thakore Saheb to the Press Gandhiji made the following statement:—

"I release my letter to the Thakore Saheb with a heavy heart, but I have had the misfortune many a time to perform painful duties. This is one of them. I would like that all friends and sympathisers rigidly refrain from embarking on sympathetic fasts, even for one day. I know that fasting like "Satyagraha' is very much abused now-a-days. One finds people fasting on the slightest pretext. Often there is violence behind such fasting.

EXPERT'S JOB.

"I was most reluctant to undertake this fast. But an inner urge brooks no denial.

I can only, therefore, warn the people, who may wish hereafter to fast for redress of grievances, real or imaginary, against imitating me. Fasting like some very potent medicines can only be taken on rare occasions, and under expert guidance. It is wrong, it is sinful for everybody to consider himself an expert.

"Let the Public know that at a very early age I began fasting for self-purification, and then I took a prolonged fast for an erring son of mine. This was soon after followed by still more prolonged fast for an erring daughter of a very dear friend. In both these cases the results justified the fasts.

POTENT WEAPON.

The first public fast that I undertook was in South Africa in connection with sufferings of the indentured, who had joined the Satyagraha struggle in South Africa. I have no recollection of a single experiment of mine in fasting having been a fruitless effort. In addition I had the experience of priceless peace, and unending joy during all those fasts, and I have come to the conclusion that fasting, unless it is the result of God's grace, is useless starvation, if not much worse.

NO BITTERNESS.

"The second thing I would like to say is that there would be no bitter speech or writings either in connection with the Takore Saheb or his advisers or the President. I have used strong language in connection with the President and actions of State officials. If I find that I have in any way wronged them I know how to make reparations. Any harsh language used in connection with the Thakore Saheb or other actors in the tragedy will mar the effect what the fast is intended to produce APPEAL TO PRESS AND PUBLIC.

"The breach of a solemn pact does not require any harsh or bitter language in order to enhance the enormity of the evil consequences of such breaches. WHAT THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS CAN USEFULLY DO IS BY A DIGNIFIED DISAPPROVAL OF THE THAKORE SAHEB'S ACTION BRING HOME TO HIM THE PRESSURE OF ENLIGHTENED PUBLIC OPINION.

"All Satyagraha and fasting is a species of "Thyaga". It depends for its effects upon an expression of wholesome public opinion shorn of all bitterness. Let there be no impatience to produce the desired result because of fasting. He, who has urged me to undertake the fast, will give me strength to go through it and if it is his will that I should still live for a while on this earth to carry on the self-chosen mission of humanity, no fast, however, prolonged will dissolve the body.

NO COERCION.

"I am painfully conscious of the fact that my fast in connection with the late MacDonald's decision on the communal question induced many persons to act against their will. I hope no such thing will happen in connection with this fast. If there are public men, who think that I have erred in characterising the Thakore Saheb's notification of 21st January as a breach of the promise made by notification on December 26, 1938, they will perform a friendly act by condemning my characterisation as also the fast. IT IS DESIGNED UNDOUBTEDLY TO MELT THE THAKORE SAHEB'S HEART. BUT IT IS IN NO SENSE DESIGNED TO COERCE PUBLIC OPINION INTO BRINGING PRESSURE TO BEAR upon the Thakore Saheb or those in whose opinion his action may be free of all blame.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST VIRAWALLA.

"Another thing I would like to mention is the first paragraph of my letter in which I have criticised Durbar Virawalla. I see I can truthfully say that I am slow to see blemishes of fellow beings, being myself full of them and, therefore, being in need of their charity. I have learnt not to judge any one harshly and to make allowances for defects that I may detect. What has happened about Virawalla is that I have been inundated by very bitter and serious complaints against him. In my conversations with him I had even made mention of those complaints and let me say to his credit that he invited me to investigate those complaints. I had told him that I would do so and but for the intervention of the fast it was fully my desire to undertake this investigation.

I had already invited friends to put me in possession of evidence in support of specific allegations against him. But prolonged conversations with him for three days confirmed the impression that complaints against him had produced upon me, so much so that I felt that evidence that the conversations gave me was sufficient proof of the heavy indictment against him.

VIRAWALLA MUST GO.

What I have said in the first para of my letter is a deliberate understatement of my opinion. It gave me much pain to write that paragraph, but it was necessary for my mission to warn the Thakore Saheb of the overpowering influence that he exercises over His Highness. Sober and influential persons, not few, but many, have repeatedly told me that so long as Durbar Virawalla exercises that influence upon the Thakore Saheb there is no peace for the people. I myself feel that there is very considerable truth in this statement and it will be wrong on my part whilst I am embarking upon the fast to suppress this relevant truth from the public. I have sent a private and personal letter to him, which so far as I am concerned shall never see the light of day. But I do make an humble appeal to him and I would like those who know him to join me in the appeal that he should refrain from influencing Thakore Saheb, although the latter may find it difficult to free himself from that influence. I can say much more, but I must not.

END INTRIGUES.

"Although I have been in exile from Kathiawar for more than a generation and a half I know how turbid Kathiawar politics is. This unfortunate sub-province is notorious for its intrigues. I have felt its deadly influence even during these four days. How I wish that my fast may contribute, be it ever so little, to the purification of Kathiawar politics. I, therefore, invite the Princes and politicians of Kathiawar to use my fast to rid Kathiawar of the deadening influence of the poisonous atmosphere that makes healthy living in Kathiawar so difficult."—A. P.

### MAHATMA CLEARS MISCONCEPTION

RAJKOT, Mar. 3.

Mahatma Gandhi has issued the following statement:—

"There is a misunderstanding about a certain telegram received by me at Shevgaon of which I made use in the first press note I issued on the eve of my coming to Rajkot, I did not think it was necessary for me to refer to that telegram.

On my attention being drawn to the fact I immediately discovered that I should have inserted in my press note the telegram received from Mr. Nanalal Kalidas Jasani Rangoonwalla on February 24 reading.

"The State granted our request to allow Mohanbhai Gadhadwala and myself to visit Trumba Sardhar and Rajkot jails. There were inconveniences which were minded by State authorities. There shall be no differentiation treatment between Sardhar and Rajkot prisons. Glad to inform fasting terminated."

It will be recalled that one of the telegrams received by me from the First Member made mention of this telegram and said that the telegram received from Mr. Nanalal would show that the fasting was unjustified. On my coming here I discovered that the omission by me to reproduce this telegram gave rise to the rumour that Mr. Nanalal had come to the decision that the fast was not justified.

There was no mention in this telegram to me to the effect that the fast was not justified. It was unnecessary to say in the telegram that the fast was justified because the sender of the telegram and other friends were trying to find out a remedy for dealing with the situation. It has become necessary for me to clear this misunderstanding because there is an atmosphere of suspicion and disturbance which may interfere with the working of the Satyagraha machinery. Therefore it has become necessary for me in the interests of the cause to inform my co-workers that there is absolutely no cause for suspicion that Mr. Nanalal had come to a hasty decision about the fast. His whole reason for intervening was to find out if he can be any assistance in terminating the hunger strike of the prisoners, and we now know the result of this intervention."—A. P.

## Never Accused Any Congress Leader

## "I ONLY EXPRESSED WHAT PUBLIC FELT"

CALCUTTA, March 3.

**MR. SUBHAS CHANDRA BOSE, CONGRESS PRESIDENT, HAS MADE A LENGTHY STATEMENT TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, REPLYING TO THE VARIOUS ALLEGATIONS MADE AGAINST HIM AFTER THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION BY SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS WORKING COMMITTEE.**

**MR. BOSE SAYS THAT ALL THAT HE DID WAS TO GIVE EXPRESSION TO WHAT THE PUBLIC WERE THINKING AND SAYING IN THE COUNTRY. AS PUBLIC MEN THEY COULD NOT AFFORD TO IGNORE WHAT THE PUBLIC THOUGHT OR SAID EVEN WHEN THEY ERRED.**

### Appeal To Jawaharlal

**MR. BOSE REPEATS HIS APPEAL TO PANDIT NEHRU IN THIS FATEFUL HOUR OF INDIA'S HISTORY TO SHAKE OFF HIS "PRESENT VACILLATION AND GIVE A BOLD AND CORRECT LEAD TO ALL THE RADICAL AND PROGRESSIVE FORCES IN THE COUNTRY," AND ASSURES PANDIT NEHRU OF HIS ARDENT AND LOYAL SUPPORT.**

### *TEXT OF SUBHAS' STATEMENT*

CALCUTTA, March 3.

The following is the full text of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose's statement in reply to allegations made against him.—

"I had thought that after the presidential election was over, the statements and counter-statements made in an atmosphere of heat would be forgotten and we would settle down to business. But, unfortunately, that was not to be. A section of the press kept up the controversy, but even that would not have mattered much. The controversy has been raked up afresh since Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru issued his statement from Wardha on the 22nd February. Certain allegations have been made against me to which I must needs reply, for a statement from Panditji one cannot afford to ignore. I should have replied long ago had it not been for the unfortunate state of my health. Even now when I can manage to pull together some strength, my reply to Panditji's charge must take precedence over my presidential speech.

HIS STATEMENTS

"Prior to the presidential election, I issued four statements, the first, was on the 22nd February in reply to the statement of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad; the second was on the 25th February in reply to the statement of Sardar Patel and some members of the Working Committee; the third was on the 27th in reply to Sardar Patel's second statement; the fourth was in reply to the statement of Dr. Pattabhi which was in the nature of an election appeal.

BARDOLI MEETING

"It will be remembered that the statement of Sardar Patel and others appealing to the delegates to vote for Dr. Pattabhi, was issued by them in their capacity as the members of the Working Committee. It appeared further from the statement of Sardar Patel that he and some other members of the Working Committee had held consultations at Bardoli and decided to put up Dr. Pattabhi, all this having been done behind the back of the President and without his knowledge. Not only that.

AGGRIEVED PARTY.

He did not hesitate to use the name of Mahatma Gandhi in support of Dr. Pattabhi and against myself. To crown everything, Sardar Patel told the whole world that my election would be harmful to the cause of the country. It will be clear from the above that I had to go through the election contest against tremendous odds and with most of the eminent members of the Working Committee arrayed against myself. Every fair-minded man will agree with me that I was treated most shabbily by my eminent colleagues on the Working Committee and there can be no doubt that I am the aggrieved party. Nevertheless, until now I have never made any grievance on that score for I believed that we should take the result every contest in a truly sporting spirit and once for all bury the hatchet when the fight is over. As a matter of fact in my every first statement, I said clearly that if the majority of the delegates happen to vote for Dr. Pattabhi, I would loyally abide by their verdict.

THOSE ALLEGATIONS.

"Now I shall come to the allegation which has been made against me and has been repeated by Pandit Nehru to the effect that I questioned the 'bonafides' of some eminent members of the Working Committee. Before passing any judgment I would like the public to go through my statements once again. On a careful perusal, it will be found that nowhere have I made any allegation against any particular Congress leader whether he be a member of the Working Committee or otherwise. In my statement of the 25th January, I said that it was "widely believed that there was a prospect of a compromise on the Federal Scheme between the "Right" wing of the Congress and the British Government during the coming year..... One had only to move about among the public and enter into a discussion with them in order to realise how widespread this belief was". In my next statement I said: "Though the Congress resolution on Federation is one of uncompromising hostility, the fact remains that some influential Congress leaders have been advocating conditional acceptance of the Federal Scheme in private and in public. Until now there has not been the slightest desire on the part of the "Rightist" leaders to condemn such activities. It is no use shutting our eyes to the realities of the situation. Can anybody challenge the fact that the belief is widely held that during the coming year a compromise will be effected between the British Government and the "Right" Wing of the Congress? This impression may be entirely erroneous. But it is there all the same and nobody can deny its existence. Not only that. It is generally believed that the prospective list of Ministers for the Federal Cabinet has been drawn up. In the circumstances it is natural that the Left or Radical Bloc in the Congress should feel so strongly on the question of the Federal Scheme and desire to have an anti-Federationist in the Presidential chair."

WHY A "LEFTIST" PRESIDENT

"In my next statement of the 26th January I said: "If we are to maintain unity and solidarity in the Congress and if the "Right" and the "Left" wings are to work hand in hand for the attainment of India's independence, it is essential that the President of the Congress should command the confidence of both the wings. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru fulfilled this role in a magnificent manner, and perhaps, I may humbly claim that I did so, though in a much lesser degree. That is why, along with a large body of Congressmen I insist that for the coming year we should have as President a person who will be Anti-Federationist to the core of his heart, a person who will command the respect and confidence of not merely the "right" wing but also of the 'Left" . . . . I am a candidate by mere accident simply because nobody else from the "Left" came forward to contest the election. And as I have already stated more than once, it is still possible to avoid a contest if the "Right" wing will accept as President somebody who will command the confidence of the "Left."

"I WAS TWITTED AND TAUNTED"

I have carefully scanned all the statements I made prior to the election. Nowhere do I find any allegation against any individual Congress leader whether he be a member of the Working Committee or not. All that I did was to give expression to what the public were thinking and saying in the country. Several factors contributed to deepen the doubt and suspicion in the public mind. For instance, Lord Lothian once stated at Poona that all the Congress leaders did not agree with Pandit Nehru in their attitude towards the Federal Scheme. As public men we cannot afford to ignore what the public think or say even when they err. In giving expression to the public mind I did not exaggerate. As a matter of fact, when I happened to speak against the Federal Schem

I was twitted and taunted by people who told me to my face that I was living in a fool's paradise and that in due course office acceptance in the Provinces would be followed by the acceptance of the Federal scheme, perhaps with some slight modifications. In the circumstances I felt, and I believed rightly too, that the doubt that existed in the public mind would be considerably cleared by having a President, who would be an anti-Federationist to the core of his heart and would conduct a nation-wide campaign against the Federal scheme.

JAWAHAR'S ATTITUDE.

I shall now refer to some other allegations made by Panditji. He says that he was opposed to my re-election. I was told by some Bombay friends who had conferred with him on this point, that if I stood for election in the same manner in which I did last year, he would not approve of it. But if I stood as a candidate from the "Left," he saw no objection to my doing so. I do not know if this information is correct Perhaps Panditji could enlighten us.

Panditji has alleged that it was highly improper for our Congress affairs at the very top to be conducted in an atmosphere of mutual suspicion and lack of faith. Till the 13th January, when the last meeting of the Working Committee terminated, no such atmosphere existed within my knowledge. As a matter of fact, my relations with the other members of the Working Committee were, on the whole, perfectly cordial. None of us ever came to the point of resignation, as happened sometimes during Panditji's term of office. I have heard, that during his office as President, Panditji sometimes thought of resigning because of the atmosphere at the top. Panditji can easily enlighten us on this point.

"LEFT" AND "RIGHT" AND JAWAHAR

It is surprising to be asked by Panditji as to the meaning of the words "Left" and "Right." Did he not submit his own report to the All India Congress Committee at Haripura in which he complained that the "Left" was being suppressed by the "Right"?

Equally surprising is his allegation that no meeting of the Working Committee was held at Wardha even to transact routine business in accordance with my desire. In no communication did I suggest that routine business should not be transacted. When Acharya Kripalani wrote to me about this, I replied at once to say that there was nothing to prevent the Working Committee from transacting routine busi-

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## Public Opinion

### Question IV

**Do you believe that Inter-marriage will solve the communal question?**

*OWING TO PRESSURE ON OUR SPACE LETTERS RECEIVED ABOUT PROHIBITION WILL BE PUBLISHED DURING NEXT WEEK.*

# Dietary Needs Of Workers

## Nutrition Expert's Evidence Before Textile Inquiry

Having regard to the dietary requirements of an average working class family, a textile worker in Bombay should receive a minimum wage of Rs. 40 to Rs. 45.

That was the opinion expressed by Dr. W. R. Aykroyd, Director of the Nutrition Research Institute, Coonoor, in the course of his evidence before the Textile Inquiry Committee on Friday.

In the course of a note on the dietary standards for Indian workers, Dr. Aykroyd furnished a table representing the minimum that the nutrition worker could accept as the basis of a calculation of necessary expenditure on food.

Dr. Aykroyd stated that if a minimum wage was to be established, it was necessary to adopt some dietary standard which could be stated in terms of monthly expenditure. Such expenditure might be regarded as one necessary item in the minimum wage. A living wage standard must obviously include the expenditure necessary to purchase a reasonably adequate diet. It was also obvious that a wage which enabled workers to purchase such a diet would do something to improve efficiency.

DIET AS WAGE STANDARD

It was clear that a living wage standard" or a "minimum wage" must be related to satisfactory standards of nutribtion. This question had been dealt with in "Workers' Nutrition and Social policy" published by the International Labour Office, which said: "Concern for adequate nutrition offers a new and fruitful approach to all other questions of social policy. In so far as nutrition standards are set by scientific investigation, they have an objectivity which cannot but make a strong appeal to rational thinking."

But the standards suggested by the League of Nations Commission should be applied to the East with great caution. Human beings could attain a reasonably satisfactory "state of nutrition" on diets which are thoroughly deficient in terms of the League of Nations standards in preparing standard for use in public health nutrition work in India, there was no point in putting forward standards out of all relation to reality. The standards recommended by him represented an improvement on the existing levels of diet among the poorer classes in India, as discovered by field investigations. At the same time, they represented a not impossible idea in relation to present economic conditions.

IN TERMS OF COLONIES

Dr. Aykroyd gave an estimate of the Calorie requirements of Indian workers in relation to energy expenditure involved in agricultural labour. A peasant while at work might be expected, to spend 180 calories of energy per hour; 86 calories per hour while "sitting at rest" and 54 calories per hour while sleeping. Assuming that a peasant worked, slept and "sat at rest" in equal proportions he would require an intake of 2,560 calories per day.

IN TERMS OF FOODSTUFFS

Translating these calories in terms of foodstuff, a diet that would be reasonably satisfactory as regards its content of protein, vitamins and essential mineral elements, would consist of 15 ozs. of rice, eight ozs. of milk, three ozs. of pulse, six ozs of non-leafy vegetables, four ozs of leafy vegetables, two ozs of fats and oils and two ozs of fruits. This diet budget would supply about 2,600 calories, equivalent to adult daily requirements. Dr. Aykroyd also suggested an alternative and cheaper diet consisting of less milk and vegetables and more rice (or wheat or millet) to supply the same calories.

The cost of these diets in terms of current prices in South India would be from Rs. 5 to Rs. 6. As this budget did not allow sugar, condiments and other 'extras' Dr. Aykroyd thought that an allowance of Rs. 25 per cent. should be made.

PROPORTIONATE CO-EFFICIENTS

This diet was for a male adult. A female would require nearly 500 calories less than a male. Similarly, a child would require less than an adult. Therefore, assuming an adult male's consumption co-efficient as one Dr. Aykroyd gave a table of proportionate co-efficients for children of all ages. According to this table the consumption co-efficient of an adult female would be .6, that of a child of 10, .7, and that of a child of six, .6.

Dr. Aykroyd suggested that in the determination of a minimum wage, the method of approach to the problem of necessary expenditure on food described above should be adopted.

NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE

Answering questions put by the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. Justice H. V. Divatia, Dr. Aykroyd stated that there might be some small difference in the diet requirements of persons in various parts of India due to the difference in climate and physique, but difference in calories was not large. But the calory requirement varied with the kind of work according to the energy output.

The standard that he had provided was a kind of round average, not necessarily referring to any particular work, but based on surveys of both rural and industrial occupations. The calory requirements might be slightly higher in the case of industrial workers. That is why he had suggested an extra allowance of 25 per cent. This allowance would account for extras such as feasts, etc. Also it would account for any adulteration in foodstuffs.

In considering the cost of a standard diet due consideration to the dietary habits of persons. A non-vegetarian diet would not make much difference in cost. But a nutrition worker could not agree to take away milk. From a nutritional point of view one could substitute butter-milk, if it was of good quality. A man who was for long under-nourished did not require any special food. Continued consumption of standard diet would be sufficient to restore him to normal.

With the allowance of 25 per cent. an adult would require from 6-8 to Rs. 8 per month. According to the statistics of the Bombay Labour Office, an average worker's family consisted of a husband, wife, a child of ten and a child of six. According to consumption co-efficients these four would require as many calories as would be required by 3.1 adults. In terms of money this would come to about Rs. 20 to Rs. 25.

Again the Enquiry into the working class family budgets of the Bombay Labour Office showed that a worker spent about 45 per cent. of his income on food. On that basis the minimum wage of a worker would have to be from Rs. 40 to Rs. 45.

WORKERS' CANTEENS

Dr. Aykroyd also suggested a scheme of school-feeding to ensure an extra meal to under-nourished children. He laid great emphasis on infant welfare and care of expectant mothers. He thought that if a part of the cost of any extra wage was diverted to the running of canteens and such other schemes, it would be of direct benefit to the workers. He thought that family budget inquiries took account of what was and not what ought to be. He suggested that they should adopt an attitude of dissatisfaction towards such standards.

Answering questions put by Mr. V. L. Mehta, Dr. Aykroyd dissented from the view that efficiency was solely dependent on climatic and social conditions. The quality and quantity of food consumed had a greater effect than those two factors. The time when food was taken and the environment in which it was taken was important to some extent. If meals were widely spaced, efficiency suffered.

The requirements of the body were lowest when asleep and, therefore, less sleep meant more food. The difference between a balanced diet and the diet that was actually taken by a worker would be about two rupees.

Answering questions put by Prof. D. R. Gadgil, he said that the dietary part of a minimum wage could be drawn up with sufficient accuracy.

The cost of an adequate diet of a child was relatively higher than that of an adult due to the larger quantity of milk needed. This higher cost was accounted for in the 25 per cent. which he had prescribed.

An industrial worker was less resistent to disease, and the incidence of tuberculosis and infant mortality was greater in industrial areas. It was not an unreasonable view that defective environmental conditions should be offset by good diet.

CASE OF THE UNDER-FED

Answering questions put by Mr. S. A. Brelvi, he said that the figure of 2,600 calories erred on the low side. It might be a little higher in the case of industrial labour. He had given a female 500 calories less than a male. That was copied from European and American standards. It might not quite apply to Indian conditions. In the case of a female who also worked the consumption co-efficient might be higher.

Under-feeding made people lazy and languid, but it was not the only cause of laziness.

He had no exact information on the effect of under-feeding on the mind of a person, but it was commonsense that an under-fed man was not at his best.

## MORE FACILITIES FOR MILITARY TRAINING URGED

BOMBAY, Friday.

At the resumed sitting of the fourth Quinquennial Conference of the Indian Universities, held in the Convocation Hall, this morning, questions relating to the Wardha Scheme of Education and the adoption of mother-tongue as the medium of instruction in the colleges, formed the most important matters of discussion.

Dewan Bahadur S. E. Ranganadhan presided over the Conference.

The Conference considered the Wardha Scheme, its effects on higher education in India, whether its principles could be adopted by other countries, and whether it would enable the country to hold its own in the international struggle for existence.

The Conference adopted the resolution expressing their inability to pronounce any opinion as to how the Scheme should be correlated to University courses of study, having regard to the fact the scheme had not so far taken a definite and final shape.

The Conference requested the Inter-Universities Board to watch development in regard to the scheme and take suitable action when necessary.

After a good deal of discussion the Conference resolved that the medium of instruction at different stages of education upto and including the degrees course should as far as circumstances permit be the mother tongue of the students.

The medium of instruction in High Schools should ordinarily be the mother-tongue, but if there were pupils with different mother-tongues in the same school, the medium should be English or any other modern Indian language.

Instructions in all Research Institutions should be through the medium of English.

The Conference also passed resolution requesting the Government to provide greater facilities for military training in colleges, by securing the services of military officers for the U.T.C.

The Conference completed its session to-day.

Dr. Shaukat-Ullah Ansari (nephew of late Dr. Ansari), who has been elected the Chairman of the Reception Committee for the forthcoming session of the All-India Jamiat-Ulema-i-Hind, to be held in Delhi to-day and to-morrow.

## THE PROHIBITION PROGRAMME

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before prohibition is brought into play. This will give these officers time to get the 'hang of things' well ahead.

(6) The creation of an independent Organisation, consisting entirely of courageous, trustworthy and incorruptible men, to keep a silent, yet effective and prompt watch alike on smuggling as on members of the Police and Excise forces, both officers and subordinates, entrusted with the work of prohibition. They should be very social good talkers, good mixers and shrewd and drawn from all ranks.

Further measures may be devised in the same direction. Taking Bombay city and suburbs alone, the entire area may be conveniently divided into smaller area of wards and subwards and so on. Each section of these sub-areas, especially the more crowded and dangerous ones, should be entrusted to the supervision of these "shadow" men. These men should have some definite duties and some special privileges in connection with their work.

This organisation should be altogether outside Police and Excise Department control, and should work as a "Super-C.I.D." The mere consciousness that such Department exists, is bound to tell against the mal-practices in the Police and Excise Departments and to help them keep straight. Also against smugglers.

(7) The last and the really important task would lie in encouraging the public to do their duty by prohibition. All citizens should be encouraged to keep an eye on their immediate neighbourhood, and report on places and people and shops they suspect. One or two men appointed here and there in different localities for the purpose, may help a lot in this respect if selected with care as to their sterling qualities for the work.

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Dr. Chandulal Desai.

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## CORPORAL PUNISHMENT TO STUDENT

### School Committee Warns Teacher

A teacher in the employ of the Schools Committee was warned severely for inflicting Corporal punishment on a student.

His offence being a second one it was resolved that he be warned in case the offence was repeated a third time, time severe disciplinary action leading to dismissal would be taken. The teacher was transferred to another school.

A resolution of Mr. Donde that to the list of holidays for Municipal Schools, 26th January—the Independence Day he added was 'dropped' by the Meeting.

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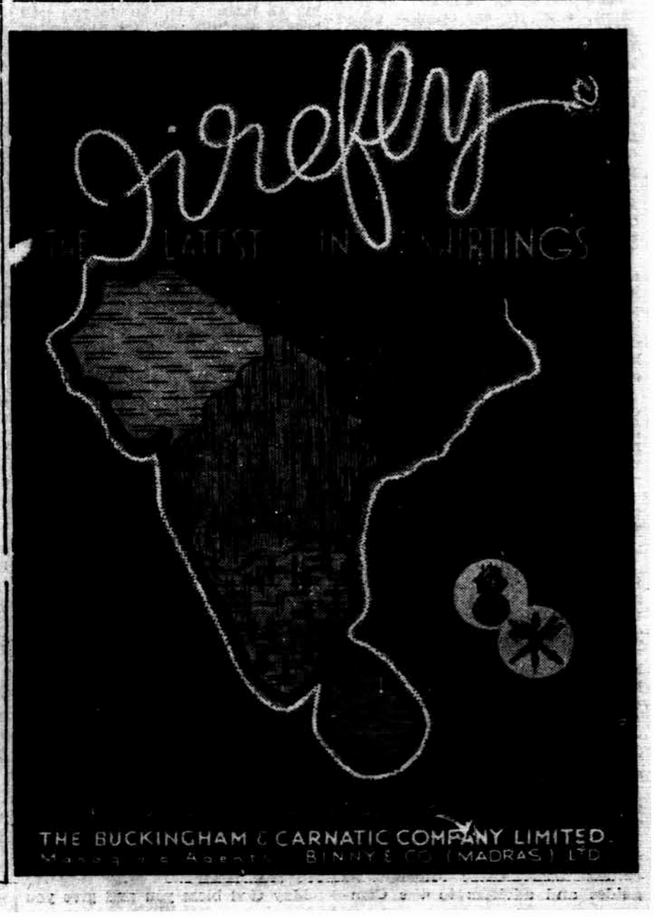


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# Organising Rescue Work In Coal Mines

## Rescue Stations For Each Field: Rules By Central Govt.

Elaborate rules have been framed by the Government of India to provide for rescue work in coal mines located in the Jharia Coalfield in Binar and in the Raniganj Coalfield of Bengal and Binar.

There will be constituted for the establishment, maintenance and management of rescue stations in these areas a Committee consisting of an Inspector of Mines, nominated by the Chief Inspector of Mines, a nominee of each of the Indian Mining Association, the National Association of Colliery Managers, Indian Branch and the Indian Mine Managers' Association, a nominee, selected in rotation by the Indian Mining Federation or the Indian Colliery Owners' Association and of two other persons representing the interests of the employees.

The Committee shall establish, as soon as practicable, and maintain one Rescue Station in the Jharia Coalfield and another in the Raniganj Coalfield. Each Rescue Station shall be placed under the control of a competent Superintendent with five years' practical experience of underground work in a mine. Not less than three competent instructors shall be employed at each station to train rescue workers, of whom one shall always be in attendance at the station.

PERMANENT RESCUE CORPS

A permanent rescue corps shall be maintained at each Rescue Station, the members of which shall be continuously employed at the station, and be in constant attendance there. Exclusive of the Superintendent and of the person appointed to take charge of the station in his absence, the corps shall consist of not less than six fully trained men, of whom one or more members shall be trained to act as leaders. It shall be the duty of the corps to conduct rescue work and take all practicable steps to minimise danger in mines after an explosion or outbreak of fire or dangerous irruption of noxious or inflammable gas.

Each Rescue Station must have, in good order and ready for immediate use, a sufficient supply of suitable apparatus and equipment. The minimum to be kept at each station will include 24 complete suits of breathing apparatus.

TRAINED MEN AT EACH MINE

The manager of every mine employing 100 or more persons underground on any one day of the preceeding twelve months is required by the rules to appoint on a definite scale one or more fully trained men to co-operate with the Rescue Station in rescue work and practice.

So far as practical it shall be arranged that trained men for rescue work at a mine, where there is more than one, shall not all be employed underground at the same time.

There shall be kept at every mine, other than an open mine, in which the number of persons employed exceeds 100 in a form suitable for use by rescue workers, a sufficient number of clear and legible tracings of the recent workings of the mine, showing the ventilation and all principal doors, stoppings and air-crossings, regulators and telephone stations.

Further, every mine situated in these areas must have telephonic communication with the Rescue Station serving the mine.

EXCISE FOR RESCUE WORK

There shall be levied on all coal and coke despatched by rail from collieries situated in these coalfields an excise duty at the rate of 1½ pies per ton for one year from May 1, 1939, and thereafter at such rate as the Central Government may, after consulting the Rescue Stations Committee, fix. Provided that, when any coke, on which such excise has been collected, has been manufactured from coal on which such excise had previously been collected, the Committee or any person authorised in this behalf by the Committee may order the refund of the excise collected on such coke.

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## OUR EUROPEAN LETTER

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ing to heavy imports of coal from parts in these countries now and lost newly to Czecho-Slovakia. Trade with various oversea lands, particularly America and some Asiatic markets, shows a good course. Imports from India in January this year, figures relating to which are just published, amounted to 12 million crowns and exports to India to close to 7 million crowns. Remarkable is the increase in exports to Japan that in January amounted to a little over 43 million Crowns. The figures for the new budget for Bohemia and Moravia opened this week revea an estimated expenditure of near to 6 milliards of Crowns. An additional sum of 2 milliards to be covered by loans is to be used for re-construction works, 450 million Crowns for road construction. 970 million for new concerns and 470 million for canal and bridge construction. One fifth of the total budget is to be devoted to education. Czech papers note with satisfaction and some pride the fact of education absorbing the largest share of the budget among the services. Czecho-Slovakia's principal care in the period before will be naturally the course of relations with Germany. A certainty is lacking about this and it is one felt more or less by South-eastern Europe as a whole.

### *New Currents In South-Eastern Europe*

The uncertainty referred to above in South-eastern Europe finds an expression in the release of certain currents. They reflect reaction to an extended move or plan associated with Germany to increase hold in this region. The fall of Stojadinovic in Jugoslavia is to an extent to be traced to this. In Roumania the new Home Secretary Calinescu is seen as adopting more vigorous measures against the "Iron Guards" supposed to enjoy German favour and patronage. The new currents are expressive of an attention to the idea of national independence and have roots in a popular will The course of these currents will be largely determined by the turn of events in regard to the Mediterranean, that will exercise a great influence on German attitude and policy, and also upon the way and extent Britain and indirectly as well America cast weight in this region.

# Harijan Student Congratulated

### *Secured LL. B. Inspite Of Financial Troubles*

A pleasant function came off yesterday evening at Matunga when the well-known Depressed Class workers Mrs. and Mr. P. L. Lokhande gave a tea party to Mr. T. H. Sonawane in honour of his passing the Second LL.B. examination Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Messrs. G M. Jadhav, R. K. Tatnis, R. R. Bhole and other leaders and workers of the Independent Labour Party were present. After light refreshments short speeches were delivered by Mr. Sonavane's friends in which tney referred to the difficulties and trials through which he had to pass to obtain University education.

Born in poor circumstances, Mr. Sonavane, who belongs to the Dhor Community which is perhaps the most backward among the Depressed Class communities of India, had often to seek service or side jobs in the midst of his educational career to earn the means to maintain himself and his family and to pay for the expenses of college education.

On occasions he had to leave his college career because of monetary difficulties, but in spite of these difficulties he was determined on getting his degree for law and succeeded in his attempt. He has now decided to work in the interest of the Independent Labour Party and to advance its cause in every way possible.

Mr. Lokhande thanked the guests for accepting his invitation and wished the best of luck and prosperity to Mr. Sonavane in his future career.

# SECURITY FROM PRESS AND JOURNAL

## Ahmedabad Muslim League Condemns Bombay Govt. Action

The following resolution was passed at the Ahmedabad District League Committee meeting on Feb. 21 under the Presidentship of Jalaludin K. Kadri.

This meeting of the District League Committee condemns the action of the Congress Government of Bombay in demanding the security of Rs. 1,000 each from daily paper "Rozgar" and its "Fine Art Printing Press" and further protests against its said action and conveys that efforts to smother the voice of the Musalmans in this manner would more excite communal feeling and therefore strongly urges the Government to cancel its said order at once.

Mr. Donald Richberg representing Standard Oil Company has arrived at Mexico City to negotiate with a view to settlement of the oil crisis. Mr. Richberg is also retained by British interests.

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## BOMBAY TAXI-DRIVERS' GRIEVANCES

Mr. M. N. Talpade, Gen. Secretary, Bombay Taxi-owners' Association has addressed a letter to the Home Member, complaining of the competition of Private Cars plying for hire, with Taxis as a result of which the Taxi-drivers are put to a great deal of loss He also complains that this traffic is going on right under the nose of the Police, who find it impossible to put it down.

He draws the attention of the Home Member to the unfairness of the competition as the Taxi-driver spends a greater amount of money for his meter, for wheel-tax, and the tax he pays to the Government is on the basis of the seating capacity of his taxi, while the private car is exempt, from these conditions

He has made a strong appeal to Government to suppress this "poaching."

INDORE.—"Harijan Day" was observed here yesterday with great eclat. A public meeting was held in the Town Hall with a view to commemorating the proclamation made by His Highness the Maharaja Holkar last year.

# Film Fare For The Week

## Films For Education

### Educationists Asked To Co-operate

Delegates to the Quinquennial Conference of Indian Universities in Bombay were entertained to a pleasant after-dinner party by the Chairman and members of the Executive Committee of the Indian Motion Picture Congress at the St. Xavier's College hall.

Proceedings started by the showing of some beautiful educational films in colour and black and white, the films being the usual standard 35 mms as well as the 16 mms which are usually used for educational purposes.

NOT ENTERTAINMENT ALONE

Mr. Chandulal J. Shah, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Motion Picture Congress welcoming the delegates to the Universities Conference said that the main object with which his Committee has invited them was to impress upon them the good use that could be made of films for puposes of education.

Films, it was often supposed, and supposed wrongly, were merely for entertainment. But they could be used to good purpose in education. Unfortunately very few educational institutions in India were equipped with projecting mechanisms. Educational films of small size could not be shown in ordinary theatres and required special halls such as that they were meeting in now. But, if, with or without State aid, institutions could be equipped with projecting mechanisms, the film industry of India could turn out sufficient films for educational purposes.

Mr. Shah thanked the Delegates of the Universities Conference for honouring the Motion Picture Industry by their response to his invitation.

WANTED INDIAN SUBJECTS

Professor A. Narasimha Rao of the Annamalai University responded on behalf of the University Delegates and remarked that educational films were bound to play a great part in our teaching system in the future. Just at present, however, he regretted that most of the educational films available were made in foreign countries and dealt with subjects in which the Indian students could not take much interest. India had enough subjects to be used for educational films. The beauties of the Himalayas, the Ghats and the temples of Benares, for instance, would be highly appreciated by teachers and students and would contribute to a more proper understanding of our own country.

Father Palacios of St. Xavier's College also spoke, giving his practical experience of the use of films in schools. He remarked that educational films were bound to improve teaching efficiency. But the films used should be of the very highest standard.

Among those present were Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Vice-Chancellor of Bombay University, Mr. S. R. Dongerkerry, University Registrar, Professor A. Narasimha Rao and P. S. Naidu of the Annamalai University, Dr. B. G. Vad, Dr. Palacios of the St. Xavier's College, Mr. A. G. Bhate of the Abdullah Fazalbhoy Technical Institute and many others. Representing the film industry were, Mr. Chandulal J. Shah, Mr. Chunibhai B. Desai, Dr. Ambalal Patel Mr. Mohanlal Shah, Mr. K. M. Mody, Mr. Babbobhai Mamooji, Mr. K. S. Hirleker and others.

## "GIRLS' SCHOOL" AT EROS

### Story Of Youthful Romance

Columbia's "Girls' School" at Eros touches upon the lovely illusions of adolescent youth, upon the naive comedy of girlish reactions to life and love, careers and boy friends.

"Girls' School" is Magnolia Hall, the smugly snobbish seminary in the Southland.

The cast is large and excellent, with diversified roles so well balanced and divided that even more or less minor parts have outstanding distinction.

Characteristic of the young viewpoint of the characters, as expressed by the schoolgirls when they learn that one of their younger teachers has fallen in love, was this remark: "Don't tell me she's having a romance. At her age? Why she's twenty-nine!"

Anne Shirley and Nan Grey, in the principal roles, are perfectly cast as two seniors of the exclusive seminary. Anne is the poor girl working her way through school; Nan, the pampered only daughter of wealthy parents. Opposite these two feminine principals are two young juvenile actors, Noah Beery Jr., and Kenneth Howell.

Maturer principals matched in pairs are Ralph Bellamy and Gloria Holden, Pierre Watkin and Doris Kenyon.

## "It Is True" At Last!

### Motilal And Rose Starred In Saraswati Film At Central

ROSE, who plays the feminine lead in "Such Hai."

**The much-awaited Saraswati Cinetone film "Such Hai" ("It Is True") is at last definitely to be released this afternoon at the central.**

**Motilal, the well-known star, who made so many successful films for Sagar, is starred with Rose playing the feminine lead.**

MOTILAL, who is starred in the Saraswati Picture at Central.

## "THE BOLD CABALLERO" AT EMPIRE

### Continental Actress Starred In Adventure Film

Eighteen character players support youthful Robert Livingston and Heather Angel, in Republic's first colour film, "The Bold Caballero," which is seen this week at the Empire Theatre. These include Sig Rumann, Emily Fitzroy, Robert Warwick, Walter Long, Charles Stevens, Ferdinand Munier, John Merton, Jack Kirk, Carlos de Valdez, Vinegar Roan and Henry Morris.

Livingston, plays a dual role in the colour film, that of Zorro, the masked rider and a foppish young man with a penchant for fancy clothes and court life. Before joining Republic a few months ago, Livingston was under a long term contract at the M-G-M studio.

Miss Angel, started on the London stage at the age of seventeen and before she was nineteen she had appeared in hundreds of performances in every English speaking country in the world. She came to the United States to play a part in "Berkely Square," after several years as star of German, Italian and French films

## STAR OF THE WEEK

### Luise Rainer AT METRO In "Toy Wife"

Luise Rainer, only star ever to be accorded two Academy awards, proves her unqualified right to the honour with another character as outstanding as her "Anna Held" in "The Great Ziegfeld" and her "O-Lan" in "The Good Earth."

Her "Froufrou" Brigard in "The Toy Wife," which is seen this week at the Metro Theatre adds a delineation which may well nominate her for the third time and create still another precedent. By turn the frivolous, light-hearted girl, the equally irresponsible wife, and the broken, tragic figure which her own folly makes her, she draws a masterful and truly moving picture which any other actress of the year will be hard pressed to match.

In the masculine leads Melvyn Douglas and Robert Young live up to the high standard set by the picture's star. Douglas as Miss Rainer's husband who is loved by his wife's sister is at all times effective, while Robert Young is dashing and romantic as the young gambler with whom Miss Rainer finally runs away.

Other excellent performances are contributed by Barbara O'Neil as Miss Rainer's sister, H. B. Warner as her father, Alma Kruger, Walter Kingsford, Leonard Penn and the four-year-old Alan Perl whose remarkable resemblance to Miss Rainer won him the roll of her child. Worthy of mention, also is the work of the negro performers, particularly that of Libby Taylor, Theresa Harris, Clinton Rosemond and Clarence Muse.

Richard Thoorpe, who won world-wide critical acclaim for his direction of "Night Must Fall," has turned in a finely conceived picture of one of the most colourful and romantic periods of American history, namely, Louisiana in the 1850's, in "The Toy Wife."

Melvyn Douglas and Luise Rainer in a scene from "Toy Wife", this week's attraction at Metro.

Bob Livingstone and Heather Angel in "The Bold Caballero" at New Empire.

## GERMAN FILMS FOR BOMBAY

### "Duke And The Dancer" Booked For The Capitol

Several German films are shortly to be seen in Bombay.

The first of these is "The Duke And The Dancer" which has been booked for the Capitol and will be released next week

Lillian Harvey, well-known continental actress, is starred

## SPECTACULAR FILM AT REGAL

### But Offensive Scenes From "Suez" Must Be Cut Out

"Suez," the 20th century-Fox picture seen this week at the Regal is one of the most ambitious and spectacular films to come out of Hollywood. Darryl F. Zenuck truly poured all his resources into this picture. One can only imagine the huge cost.

It is, of course, not strict history. The Suez Canal project has been romanticized in the usual Hollywood manner where a love-affair is grafted on to every historic event. But as a film, it is excellent entertainment spiced with all the ingredients of a thrilling melodrrama.

Annabella, as a rather incredible daughter of the desert, deserves the acting honours. Tyronne Power, as Ferdinand de Lesseps, is adequate while Loretta Young provides the inevitable glamour.

It is a film which, for its technical excellence and entertainment value, must be seen.

It is regrettable, however, that certain scenes in this film (wherein a donkey is repeatedly called Hassan—a name revered by seven crore Muslims!) are offensive to the Indian cine-goers. If they have not already been cut, they should be immediately deleted. The Regal management owe this to their Muslim patrons.

Loretta Young and Tyronne Power in a scene from "Suez", Spectacular film at Regal.

## BRITISH PICTURE AT THE CAPITOL

### "Not Wanted On Voyage" Brings Together Bebe Daniels & Husband

"Not Wanted On Voyage", the British picture at Capitol can best be described as a crook-comedy-melodrama. The treatment of the theme is in the popular manner of playing lightly on the complications caused by a set of crook at cross purposes with one another.

Ben Lyon and Bebe Daniels, once well-known stars of screen, radio and music hall, have the starring roles, and it is remarkable to find that this is the first time that this happily married pair of talented artistes have appeared together in a film.

The story itself is a mixture of jewel thefts, double-crossing, romance and song, most of the action taking place on a luxury transatlantic liner Miss Daniels takes the part of a cabaret star, thereby giving her an opportunity of singing one or two songs, and Ben Lyon plays the part of the detective.

The supporting cast includes Tom Helmore Charles Farrell, and Hay Petrie. Emil E. Reinert directed the Delu-British Film which was produced by Alexandre Dembo de Lasta. It is British Lion release

## Errol Flynn, Air Ace!

### "The Dawn Patrol" At Excelsior

"The Dawn Patrol," Warners' new aviation story, is shown this week at the Excelsior. A full-bodied action drama—it marks the return of Errol Flynn to the adventurous type of role which made him famous.

"The Dawn Patrol" is a story of wartime aviation, a moving and exciting compound of the pitiful, heedless gallantry of youth and the calmer courage of maturity.

It relates the typical history of a squadron of the British Royal Flying Corps during a few fateful months of 1915—a period when the average life of combat pilots over the western front was only four-and-one-half flying hours. It was a time when raw and hastily trained recruits were, in a constant, deadly chain, sent forth to almost certain death as soon as they reported for service.

It tells particularly the stories of the only two well-trained and comparatively veteran pilots in the outfit. Courtney and Scott, played respectively by Flynn and David Niven. Genuine friends for a long time, the pair become implacable enemies when Courtney, duty-bound to do so as the commander of the squadron orders aloft a group of novice flyers among whom is Scott's beloved younger brother. The boy does not return from his first dawn patrol and Scott is unable to forgive his earstwhile pal.

Courtney, however, eventually attempts to make up with his old buddy when the latter has been chosen to undertake a solo bombing mission far behind the German lines, from which it seems impossible that he can return alive. As commander, Courtney cannot himself volunteer for the flight, but he gets Scott drunk and then, against all the rules of the service, takes off himself on the hazardous mission.

In addition to Flynn and Niven, the remarkable all male cast assembled by Warner Bros. includes Basil Rathbone, Donald Crisp, Melville Cooper, Barry Fitzgerald, Carl Esmond, Peter Willes, Morton Lowry, James Burke and Michael Brooke (the Earl of Warwick).

30,000 feet of film were consumed for wardrobes and make-up tests for the Deanna Durbin's new picture, "Three Smart Girls Grow Up"?

A new world record has been set up by Mr G. R. Cowell, who landed a 1,291 lb. shark with rod and line at Dangerous Reef, near Port Lincoln, South Australia.

The line was no thicker than the lead in an ordinary pencil. The shark struggled violently for about three-quarters of an hour. It was 13 ft. 5 ins long and just over 7 ft. in girth.

One had better stop talking about that two-pounder that got away.

## LAMOUR IS HERE AGAIN!

### "Her Jungle Love" Revived At Broadway

A romance between a handsome young aviator, whose airplane is wrecked on a lonely South Sea island, and an untamed native girl, who has never before laid eyes on a white man, forms the story of "Her Jungle Love" the Paramount technicolour production which will have its second time run at The Broadway, Dadar.

Ray Milland and Dorothy Lamour head the cast, making their first appearance together since "Jungle Princess", in which they scored so sensationally a season ago.

## SEVASADAN AT PLAZA

### Subbalakshmi Makes A Big Hit

Sevasadan, the premier Tamil social play was shown on Thursday at Plaza Talkies at Dadar. The story which is unduly long portrays the clash between old and new ideas and ideologies in Hindu Society and the triumph of nationalism and social service. The chief attraction in the picture is the stellar role of Smt. M. S. Subbalakshmi, one of the famous artistes in Karnataka Music. Though this is her maiden appearance in talkies, she has elbowed out many of the old stagers from the front rank. Her superb histrionic talents and song hits breathe through the picture. Mr. F. G. Natesan plays the hero well and Smt. Seethalaxmi supplies more than enough the follies and foibles of the "in-law" element of the Hindu household. Though the picture is unduly long, it is a feast for music lovers. The film will be repeated on Sunday and Monday morning.

K. A. C.

Bebe Daniels in "Not Wanted On The Voyage" at the Capitol.

Basil Rathbone and Errol Flynn in "Dawn Patrol," fine aviation film at Excelsior.

A scene from "Girls School", youthful

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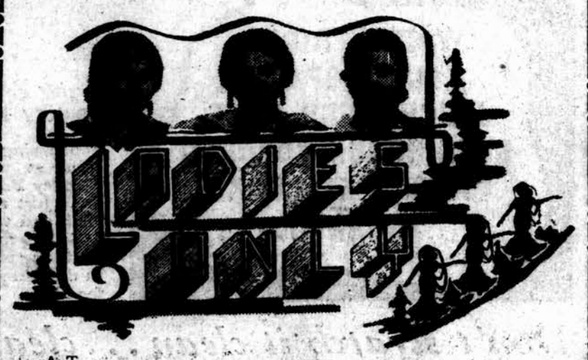


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# TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

On Thursday, Bandra was all agog when from the early hours of the afternoon crowds of Muslims began to pour from all directions—by train, by bus, in cars and on foot. The event was the celebration of Moharram, the Muslim festival of mourning, a sad and soul stirring event in Muslim religious history.

This year's gathering was considerably greater and no less than 12,000 Muslims joined the procession. Ghodbunder Road on the Bandra side right up to Mahim Causeway looked like a sea of moving heads—beggars sat at the extreme corners of the road, singing, crying, making a noise with cymbals and trying various methods to attract the attention of the crowds so that they would give them alms. Sweet vendors magicians, snake-charmers, acrobatic dancers and food-stalls did roaring business.

There were three taboots, one from Navapada, the other side of the Bandra Railway Station and the other two were from the Bandra Slaughter House area, of these one was of the beef vendors and the other of the mutton vendors, the latter being the biggest of the three.

The taboots left the respective places at 1 p.m. and by 2-30 p.m., they joined on Ghodbunder Road. Then amidst the beating of huge drums the procession vended its way along Hill Road, diverting near the library junction into D'Monte Street, and then along Bazar Road, back by D'Monte Street, coming on to Ghodbunder Road and then made for the Mahim Causeway where the taboots were alighted for a few minutes and the procession turned again the respective taboots being taken to their respective places, all this took nearly midnight.

Police 'bundobast' was really worthy of the occasion. There were over hundred constables led by the Home Inspector Mr. Ankleserla, Senior Sub-Inspector Mr. D. B Rajderkar, in-charge of the Bandra Police Station and his three assistants, Sub-Inspectors R. R. Dhawle, Kulkarni and Divekar all of whom were on duty from Wednesday 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Thursday and from 1 p.m. to time when the taboot were taken back to their respective places. At the very start all sticks carried in the crowd were hauled up and kept in police custody asking the respective owners to call for them the next day. With these and other stricter methods the police were able to maintain peace throughout the procession, for which they deserve credit.

At Thana, I understand, the crowd was larger and there were eight taboots which were taken in procession that presented a most impressive spectacle. In this place the Kurla Police too had quite a time in controlling the crowd.

TREES ALONG ROADS

With the hot days approaching the need is now felt for spreading trees over most of the suburban roads which are entirely barren and make walking in the noon time a rather tedious job.

The Juhu and the Versova Roads which will now find crowds of picnickers badly need spreading trees and suburban municipalities would do well to plant trees along barren roads which would make walking enjoyable rather than a tedious job.

# TO-DAY ON RADIO

### Bombay I—II Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)
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5-0 to 11-0 p.m. As in Delhi 2

### Delhi—I Programme

336.6 metres (886 kc/s)
8.0 a. m. Orchestra: 'Asa'. 8-10 Rambhau Gulavni of Gwalior. 8-35 Violin by P. S. Mukerjee: 'Bilawal'. 8-40 Chandabai. 9-10 Hanuman Pershad 9-30 Kumari Yamuna Sane: Geets'. 9-45 Kumari Sneha Chowdhry 'Geets'. 12-0 noon Records. 1-0 p. m. Variety Concert. 2-0 6-0 to 7-15 p.m. As in Delhi 1 7-15 Kumari Dipti (Mazumdar Geets 7-30 Hanuman Perhad 7-45 Rambhau Gulavni 8-0 to 9-50 As in Delhi 1 9-50 A. Ketelbey's Concert Orchestra 10-0 As in Delhi 1 10-15 Eileen Hilditch 10-30 Clifford Huntsman (Pianoforte).

### Delhi—III Programme

19.8 metres (15,160 kc/s)
8-0 to 10-0 and
12-0 noon to 2-45 p.m. As in Delhi 1.
31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)
6-0 to 11-0 As in Delhi 2.

### Calcutta—I Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)
12-30 p.m. Music charms. 1-30 Geeta by Pandit Ashoke Nath Shastri. 2-5 Records. 5-0 Coir industries. 6-0 Fahimuddin. 6-20 Kanaklata Banerjee. 6-40 Rajeshwarbai. 7-20 Ramprasad V. Ajugosain. 8-5 Current events. 9-10 Teresa Murphy. 9-30 Orchestra. 9-45 Erwin Klein and his dance orchestra.

### Calcutta—II Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)
12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Calcutta 1.
61.98 metres (4.840 kc/s)
5-0 to 9-0 p.m. As in Calcutta 1. 9-10 Odsi records. 9-45 to 10-30 As in Calcutta 1.

### Lucknow Programme

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)
5-30 Kumari Pratima Rani Ghosh 5-45 N M Joshi of Cawnpore 6-10 Shrimati Malti Joshi 6-30 For Children 7-0 Hori 7-30 Joohi Kyun Muskat 7-40 N M Joshi of Cawnpore 7-55 Amir Ahmed Alvi 8-0 New Urdu Books. 5 (Hindustani) by Daya Narain Nigam 8-15 Kumari Pratimarani Ghosh 8-35 N M Joshi of Cawnpore 9-0 Shrimati Malti Joshi 9-50 India's Foreign Trade by Sir Tracy French Gavin-Jones 10-0 European Music.

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# Premier's Tributes To Late J. N. Tata

(Continued from page 20)

young man he had studied closely the cotton mill industry. He made use of this knowledge in purchasing a mill at Chinchpoogly, converting it into a cotton mill, running it at a moderate gain and later selling it at a profit. This was among the first of his many business enterprises. His activities covered a very wide sphere, but I shall only refer to the most salient features of his career.

PIONEER OF SWADESHI

He was among the pioneers of the Swadeshi movement in India. At a time when Indian business men had small opportunities for enterprise, Jamsetji Tata by his successful ventures, proved beyond doubt that despite obstacles and handicaps, Indian businessmen could make their influence felt in the world of commerce. The establishment of the Empress Mills at Nagpur was a triumph of his capacity for organisation. The Swadeshi Mills Company which he launched and successfully guided, was a symbol of his steadfast faith in Indian capacity not merely in the economic but political field.

FRIEND OF SIR PHEROZESHAH

No one can accuse him of political indifference. Though he rarely made a public appearance, —I am told he made no secret of his political sympathies which lay with the more progressive forces of his time. He was a close friend of the late Sir Pherozeshah Mehta, than whom this city certainly has had no doughtier champion. He was utterly free from narrow sectarianism

THREE PROJECTS

Three major projects are linked with Tata's name, and I would now like briefly to refer to them. They illustrate, more than any of his other schemes, the remarkable vision and foresight which characterised him and they demonstrate an outlook far in advance of his time and generation. Mr. Tata did not live to see these projects come to fruition but they bear the impress of his individual genius and foresight. They are firstly, the scheme for exploiting the iron ore resources of the country which culminated in the formation of the Tata Iron and Steel Company in 1907, three years after Mr. Tata's death. Secondly, the project for harnessing the monsoon waters of the Western Ghats for industrial purposes; this led to the formation of the Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Company in November, 1910. Thirdly the establishment of the Indian Institute of Science, a scheme very close to Mr. Tata's heart, which unfortunately he did not live to see as a working organisation. To each of these schemes, he gave many years of anxious thought and close scrutiny. And each of them is a monument to his sagacity, wisdom, and foresight. To-day the flourishing town of Jamshedpur, once the hamlet of Sakchi, stands as a triumphant monument to Mr. Tata's foresight and courage. His vision planned this tremendous enterprise many years before it was actually achieved, it was the determination of his sons, particularly the late Sir Dorab Tata, which translated Jamsetji Tata's dream into reality.

Equally romantic was the project which culminated in the formation of the Tata Hydro-Electric Supply Company. In the fruition of this plan, Sir Dorab was assisted among others by the late Mr. R. D. Tata, to whose devoted endeavours the House of Tata owes much.

It was a magnificent and picturesque achievement

But great as these achievements were, Mr. Tata's third project was less spectacular perhaps, but equally valuable. This is the research institute, which he visualised as a training ground for India's future scientists and nation-builders. As planned originally, the Institute was a very ambitious project. Circumstances compelled modification even in Mr. Tata's lifetime; though he did not live to see his dream fulfilled, it was left to his sons to bring the scheme to fruition. The result is the Institute of Science at Bangalore, endowed by the munificent donation of Rs. 30 lakhs which Mr. Tata in his lifetime earmarked for the purpose.

Started nearly thirty years ago, the Institute has served a most useful purpose and commercial India is gradually reaping the harvest which Mr. Tata so industrially sowed. The importance of scientific research to industrial progress has only recently been realised in our country. That Mr. Tata should have recognised its value half a century ago is a tribute to his prescience and foresight.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

As early as 1892, Mr. Tata had inaugurated yet another scheme to assist the education of young India. Knowing the lack of facilities for higher education in this country, he decided to send every year a few chosen students to Europe. The results have more than justified the venture. Thanks to the munificence of the House of Tatas, hundreds of brilliant Indian students, who would otherwise be denied the opportunity, have been able to prosecute their studies abroad. The Scholarship Fund, which is not restricted to any particular caste or creed, is an example of practical generosity which I venture to say our modern philanthropists might study with advantage.

It is not possible, for me to enumerate every one of Jamsetji Tata's many enterprises and achievements. His freight war against the P. & O. combine, on behalf of industrial Bombay; his attempts to grow long-staple cotton imported from Egypt; his experiment in cultivating silk by Japanese methods: his endeavour to put India on the mercantile map of the world: the founding of the Taj Mahal Hotel in Bombay—these are a proud part of India's commercial history and of her industrial renaissance.

More than any man, Jamsetji Tata helped to instil in India a consciousness of her industrial potentialities. It is due to the pioneer work, the courage and determination, the vision and resource of men like Jamsetji Tata that we have made such advance as we have in commercial enterprise. And it is a matter of pride not only to Bombay but to India that the fine traditions which he established in his lifetime are today so ably maintained by the great House of Tata which he founded.

Jamsetji Tata was a good judge of men and he has been fortunate in his successors. Since his time, the House of Tata has increased its enterprises, and one of its latest ventures—the Air Mail—would, I am sure, have met his entire approval and support.

INTEGRITY AND ENTERPRISE

When the Industrial history of modern India comes to be written, the name of Jamsetji Nusserwanji Tata is assured in honoured place. But greater than the chronicle of achievements attached to the name of Tata is the fine tradition of integrity and enterprise it symbolises. Mr. Tata was fortunate in his successors. There are few families in India which carry on in tradition of devoted service to the country for several generations. The House of Tatas is one among these few families. It is not the wealth or the industrial enterprises of Jamshedji Tata and his family which have made them justly famous but the great tradition of generous service of the country without distinction of caste and creed. The more we have such men as Jamshetji Tata in our midst the greater will be the glory of our country".

## HEALTH AND INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION AT JAMSHEDPUR

JAMSHEDPUR, (By Mail).

While declaring open the Health and Industrial Exhibition at Jamshedpur Mr. J. J. Ghandy, the General Manager of Tata Iron and Steel Co. said,—

I am glad to see so many of you present here to-day to witness the opening of the Health and Industrial Exhibition.

It was on the 3rd March, 1932, that the first exhibition of this nature was organised in this Town by the Welfare Department of the Tata Iron and Steel Company, Limited. The educative value of such exhibitions was found to be so great that it was decided to make them an annual feature, and five exhibitions were held between the years 1932 and 1936. Thereafter, unfortunately, came a break for reasons beyond control and no exhibition could be held either in 1937 or in 1938. This year, which marks the first Centenary of our Founder, the late Mr. J. N. Tata, it was only in the fitness of things that we should have decided to organise this Exhibition, which I shall declare open in a few minutes.

A greater portion of the Town is adequately provided with sewage and surface drains and every effort is made to see that the sanitary arrangements are adequate to the needs of the population. A supply of drinking water of a very high standard of purity is ensured by treating raw river water in a filteration plant of modern design.

A new sewerage and sewage scheme estimated to cost about Rs. 12 lakhs is being considered by the Company, whilst a scheme for obtaining water from the hills near Jamshedpur at a cost of Rs. 26 lakhs is in progress.

The Company also maintains a large Main Hospital and six Dispensaries, free treatment being given to all at the outdoor Dispensaries. In the Hospital itself the Company's workmen are treated free whilst non-employees have to pay only a nominal charge.

The speaker further said, "So far, I have dealt with the health side of the Exhibition only, which is undoubtedly important. There is another side of the Exhibition too, the industrial side, which is equally important. For industrialisation to-day is a vital necessity. Gone are the days when a country exclusively agricultural could hold a seat of importance amongst the comity of nations. In the present age we must industrialise or perish. But it should be remembered that industrialisation must proceed on an All-India basis in order to obviate a clash between the interests of different Provinces and of different industries and the consequent injury to the nation at large. Although we need not follow to the full extent the methods adopted in some of the totalitarian States to regulate and control the wheels of industry, we must take a lesson from those countries and realise that it is imperative in the interest of health and well-being of India to develop her industries on controlled and planned lines, for unless there is purposive and deliberate planning, aiming at a proper allotment of industries between the different Provinces and at a reconciliation of interests of large scale, medium scale and small scale industries, it will not be possible for India to avoid the evils of over-production, cut-throat competition and an unhealthy fall in prices."

## CUSTOMS TO MEET G. I. P.

### Manchester Mills Beaten

The Customs qualified to meet the G.I.P. Rly. in the quarter final of the Provincial Hockey Championship by defeating the Manchester Mills—a useful combination—by 5 goals to nil.

The Customs had their full team out except Feroze Khan who is nursing a fractured finger. Brewin, Jagat Singh and Abreo came back into the team after a prolonged absence.

The game started with the Millmen attacking but the Customs soon transferred play and Rocha brought off a brilliant save from Pinto at the cost of a broken nose. Then the Customs got a goal through Pinto after Rocha had saved from Milne. Sweeney went on to inside-right and he was responsible for the second goal beating Rocha from close quarters. The teams then changed over.

On resumption, Afzal scored and then Jagat Singh followed suit to bring the score to four.

Then Pinto, picking the ball from an apparent off-side position went on to beat Rocha to score the fifth goal.

Towards the closing stages the Customs were all over their opponents but could not add to the score.

THE SCORE:—

CUSTOMS 5 goals.
MANCHESTER MILLS nil.

CUSTOMS:—Lynn; Abreo and Aslam; Husnain, Brewin and Salim, Sweeney, Milne, Afzal, Pinto and Jagat Singh.

MANCHESTER MILLS:—Rocha, P. Rebello and W. Pereira, S. Oliveira, J. Pinto and Days; V. Dias, Steven, Rattos and Nicholas.

UMPIRES:—E. J. N. Baria and P. A. Fernandes.

*To-day's Match*

Kirkee Ordnance v. Brijraj Young Men.

## OPENING OF 'NEPTUNE' BUILDING

### *Sir Chimanlal On Swadeshi In Insurance*

The Neptune House, (formerly the Bible Society Building), at Hornby Road, was formally declared open on Friday evening, by Sir Chimanlal Setalvad at a garden party at Bhatia Baug.

The speakers included Mr. Vithaldas Damodar Govindji, Sir Ishwardas Laxmidas and Sir Govind Pradhan.

Sir Govind Prachan in reviewing the progress of the Neptune Insurance Company, remarked that the outstanding characteristic of the Neptune was that it catered for the poorer classes: the "Saving Block" device of theirs, was exceedingly useful to the poorer and middle classes as it enabled them to save small sums and realise a substantial amount in the end. The Company was run on sound conservative lines and their bonus declarations of 18 for a thousand on a whole life policy, and 15 per thousand on endowment policy was a creditable achievement. Another factor in which they took pride was that 99 per cent of the divisible amount was paid to the policy holders and only 1 per cent reserved for the shareholders.

Sir Chimanlal declaring the Neptune Building open said, that a perusal of the glowing reports of the Company, led one to the conclusion that their achievements were highly commendable.

India, a land of many millions held out immense scope for the expansion of insurance activities. He was glad to hear that the policy of the Company was to work on safe and conservative lines. Considering the immense foreign competition, which Swadeshi Companies had to face it was upto Indians themselves, he observed, to encourage Swadeshi concerns.

Mr. Vithaldas Damodar also spoke to the same effect.


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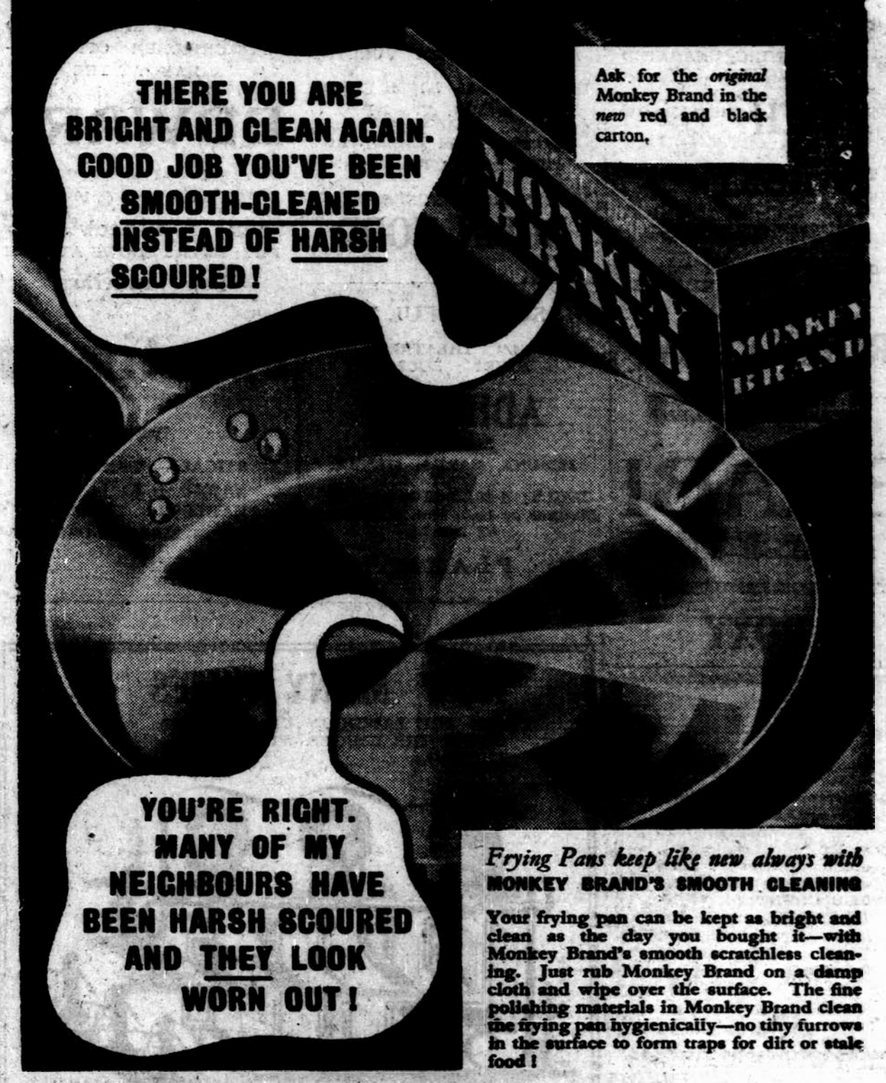
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# PARSI MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE BILL

## M. N. Dalal Explains Need For Amending The Present Act

NEW DELHI, (By Mail.)

In the Council of State, the Hon. Mr. M. N. Dalal introduced 'The Parsi Marriage and Divorce Bill' in order to amend and bring up-to-date, the law effecting the Parsis in regard to Marriage and Divorce.

In the statement of objects and reasons, he says:

"The Parsi Marriage and Divorce Act (XV of 1865) was found defective and wanting in numerous respect to answer the present day needs of the community and considerable agitation was carried on for number of years by the members of the Parsi community and by the Parsi press all over India for the purpose of amending the said Act of 1865 with a view to bring it in conformity with the present day needs of the community. Accordingly, the Act of 1865 was repealed and the Parsi Marriage and Divorce Act, 1936, was passed on 23rd April, 1936.

2. Among the changes introduced by the Act of 1936 was a change in the law with regard to the payment of permanent alimony to the wife on the passing of any decree under the Act. There was a strong expression of opinion in the community that the payment of permanent alimony to the wife should continue only while she remained chaste and unmarried and be discontinued if she either did not remain chaste or if she remarried. The law relating to grant of permanent alimony was therefore changed by section 40 of the Act of 1936.

3. Section 40, sub-section (1), of the Act of 1936 provided therefore as follows:—

"40. (1) The Court may if it shall think fit at the time of passing any decree under this Act or subsequently thereto on application made to it for the purpose, order that the husband shall—

(a) to the satisfaction of the Court, secure to the wife while she remains chaste and unmarried such gross sum or such monthly or periodical payment of money for a term not exceeding her life as, having regard to her own property, if any, her husband's ability and the conduct of the parties, shall be deemed just, and for that purpose may require a proper instrument to be executed by all necessary parties and suspend the pronouncing of its decree until such instruments shall have been duly executed, or

(b) make such monthly payments to the wife for her maintenance and support as the Court may think reasonable.

In case any such order shall not be obeyed by her husband it may be enforced in the manner provided for the execution of decrees and orders under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, and further the husband may be sued by any person supplying the wife with necessaries during the time of such disobedience for the price of such necessaries."

4. It will be noticed that the order for payment of permanent alimony to the wife as contemplated by clauses (a) and (b) of sub-section (1) of section 40 covers two cases. In the one case, viz., that covered by clause (a), the payment is "secured" by a charge on the husband's property; in the other case, viz., that covered by clause (b), it is a personal order on the husband to make "monthly payments" to the wife. It will also be noticed that in the first case covered by clause (a) the intention, namely, that the payment is to continue only till the chastity or remarriage of the wife is clearly expressed, whereas in the second case covered by clause (b) the said intention is erroneously omitted to be expressed by the Legislature.

5. The intention of the framers of the Act of 1936 definitely was to make the payment of alimony of any sort cease if the wife at any time after the order for alimony either became unchaste or remarried. Unfortunately however, the expression "while she remains chaste and unmarried" which should properly have found place in the beginning before clauses (a) and (b) so as to cover both the said clauses was placed in clause (a) and inadvertently omitted from clause (b). This has caused injustice to parties and the Bombay High Court, in a matter which came up before it in Appeal (vide 38 Bombay Law Reporter page 836 Manekbai Nadirshaw Vachha vs. Nadirshaw Jamshedji Vachha), expressed the inability to give effect to the intention of the framers of the Act of 1936 in view of the language employed in section 40 of the Act of 1936.

6. Amending the Act is therefore intended to remove the doubt and to express more clearly the intention of the framers of the Act.

## Patiala Peoples' Memorandum To His Highness

PATIALA, Feb. 25.

"Neither any clause of the Treaty with the paramount power nor the Political Department of the Government of India prevents your Highness and the Ministry, overridden with non-state subjects, should be permitted to stand in your way in granting the subjects the freedom of speech, organization and liberty to carry on peaceful and constructive propaganda both in the press and on the platform."

This is the keynote of a memorandum submitted to His Highness the Maharaja of Patiala by the Patiala State Khalsa Diwan while making a passionate appeal for repealing the Hidayat of 1988 B.C., the provisions of which impose severest restrictions on the civil liberties and legalize monstrous punishments of imprisonments, heavy fines, confiscation of properties, externments and internments.

AJMER, Feb. 28.

The Ajmer centre of the Arya Samaj is showing remarkable enthusiasm for the Hyderabad Satyagraha. The third batch of seventeen Satyagrahis left Ajmer on the 26th February and the fourth one will in all probability be following on or before the 6th March i.e., the Holi Pournima day. The second batch from Ajmer consisting of sixteen volunteers was arrested at Gulbarga and sentenced to thirteen months' rigorous imprisonment each.

DHULIA, Feb. 28.

Sjt. Puranik who is proceeding to Hyderabad for offering Satyagraha was given a send-off by the Dhulia citizens in a meeting held on the 26th February under the presidentship of Sjt. Ranade Pleader Dhulia. Propaganda work in the West Khandesh district is being carried on by Sjts. Gadgilshastri, Alokar, Kahire—all of them are workers of the Hindu Mahasabha.

SHOLAPUR, Feb. 28.

In a meeting held at Sholapur on the 26th February 1939, Sjt. Chand Kiran Sarda second Dictator of the Arya Samaj declared that he would be proceeding to Hyderabad for offering Satyagraha on the 5th of March along with hundred volunteers. Those wishing to go in this batch should see him before the 3rd March.

# No Rent Campaign In Talcher

CUTTACK, March 2.

A no-rent campaign has been started in Talcher State, according to information received by Mr. Harekrishna Mahtab, who returned to Cuttack this evening after a visit to the Talcher refugees camp in Angul.

It is stated that while usually the State collects as revenue Rs. 65,000 by the end of February, only about Rs. 5,000 have been collected this year.

A schoolmaster of Talcher named Sudhakar Rath, it is understood, has resigned his job and has taken over charge of the refugees camp in Angul.—A. P.

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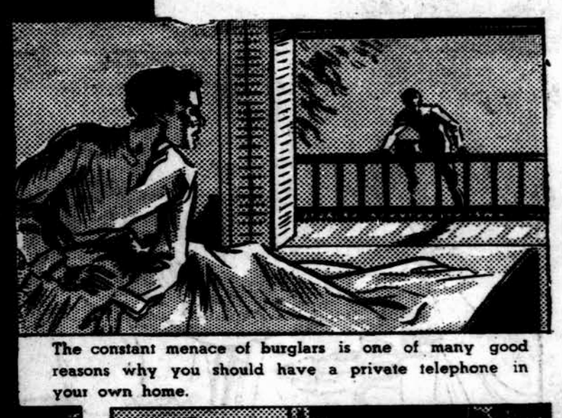

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# No Fear Of Authoritarianism In Congress

## JAWAHAR ON FORMATION OF EXECUTIVE

## Search For Way Out Of Deadlock: Need Of Joint Front

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru writes in "National Herald" Lucknow:—

If the Working Committee was to consist solely of people believing in a clear-cut policy, where did I come in? Of course the Committee must be homogeneous and capable of functioning as a unit or else it would be ineffective. It must believe generally in one line of action. But if the homogeneity was to be interpreted in a sectarian sense, then a future Committee would be very different from the Committees that have functioned during the past twenty years. Where would Deshbandhu Das or my father or Maulana Mahomed Ali have been under the new interpretation? They would have found no place in the Working Committee. In the early days of the Swaraj Party vital differences arose even as regards the policy to be pursued. There was an attempt to form a "homogeneous" Committee but it failed soon afterwards, and the Congress reverted to a joint Committee consisting of representatives of the two principal groups in it. They functioned effectively for a number of years in spite of a difference of outlook. Any other course would have led to ineffectiveness and continuing conflict between the two groups and the weakening of the Congress.

SECTARIANISM

If a new principle was now followed, odd individuals like me would be out of place in the Committee. I would not fit in with the old Committee which I knew; still less would I fit in with a new Committee which I did not know. My not being in the Working Committee would not of course mean that I sulked or held aloof. In any event I would, as would others, offer such co-operation as was possible and not obstruct in any way.

I am convinced that the right course for the Congress is to avoid sectarianism and this narrow so-called homogeneity, for this would lead to the growth of conflict and the spirit of opposition within the Congress. It is for the Congress to lay down its policy clearly and to ask for a strict adherence to it by its executive. Within the four corners of this there must be homogeneity, but any attempt to narrow this still further would result in the exclusion of vital elements.

JOINT FRONT

This policy of a joint front, though inevitable for us under the circumstances, has its disadvantages, as it leads to a feeling of suppression in the two or more groups that co-operate together. Each feels that it cannot have its way and that its progress is obstructed by the other group. This feeling of suppression has grown during the past few years, and so it is perhaps desirable to have executives consisting of one group only in order to give them full play. In effect this will make little difference as there is not too much choice of policies and soon after there is bound to be a reversion to the joint Committee, which alone can be really representative of the Congress and the country.

One need not therefore take the present deadlock in the Congress too tragically, unfortunate as it is. It is a sign of the growth of our movement and it mirrors the ideological conflicts that are troubling the minds of large numbers of our people. But every body knows that in any action that might have to be undertaken we hold together and a crisis, national or international, will find us united.

AUTHORITARIANISM

What is unfortunate is the manner in which this deadlock has come about, for it represents no clear conflict of ideals or policy. It is the outcome of a desire to control the Congress organisation whatever the policy. There has been a certain reaction against what was considered an authoritarian tendency in the Congress High Command, and yet curiously enough the new leadership is far more authoritarian than any during the recent history of the Congress. A radical policy for the Congress one can understand whether one approves of it or not. A line of action can be judged and accepted or rejected. But radical slogans allied to authoritarianism is a wrong and dangerous trend. It is wrong because it leads people to think that strong language and much shouting are substitutes for action. It is dangerous because radical slogans delude the people and under their cover authoritarianism creeps in and entrenches itself. I do not think there is any chance of the Congress going this way for we are too much wedded to democratic processes, and we have these many years, discarded the tyranny of strong language, which enervates, in favour of action that is effective and that strengthens. Yet we may not grow complacent, for recent years have brought strange happenings in Europe, and we have seen the proud edifice of democracy fall before our eyes. Regretfully we recognise how easy it is to wean away a muddle-headed and confused public and then to drive it towards wrong ends.

NEW QUESTIONS

Therefore it becomes vitally necessary for us to be clear about our policy and our methods, to define with precision our attitude to national and international problems. The world changes and new problems arise, new questions have to be answered, and the well-worn and hackneyed phrases of yesterday may have little meaning to-day. We live in the post-Munich age and the map changes from day to day and barbarism and black reaction triumph. Even as I write my mind is filled with that supreme tragedy of our time—the murder of Spanish democracy. It was not the rebels who killed Republican Spain, or traitors' hands that did it. Nor was it ultimately done to death by the Fascist Powers, much as they tried to do so. Britain and France must be held responsible for this, as for the betrayal of Czechoslovakia, and history long ages hence, will remember this infamy and will not forgive them. The infinite sadness of the looks of the Czechs and the Spaniards, whom they deserted and betrayed and, in the guise of friendship and impartiality, drove to death and slavery, will haunt them from generation to generation.

IMPERIALISM

This is the world we live in. And in India also the problems that are arising are peculiarly like those in Europe. While we think still in terms of a straight fight against British imperialism, that imperialism changes its shape, and not so sure of its strength, tries to meet the challenge indirectly and more dangerously. Reaction itself talks a different language and, using progressive phrases, exploits the unpolitical masses for its own ends. Communalism becomes even more definitely the citadel of the reactionary and the bulwark of imperialism.

Phrases and slogans have become dangerous companions in these days unless they are allied to clear thought and well-considered objectives and methods. Most of us seldom take the trouble to think. It is a troublesome and fatiguing process and often leads us to uncomfortable conclusions. But crises and deadlocks when they occur have this advantage at least, that they force us to think. Let us then profit in this way in our present impasse.

"MY EXPERIENCES"

It is for this reason that I am venturing to put forward some thoughts and experiences of mine. In a changing and uncertain situation it is difficult for me to point with any confidence to a way out of the deadlock. It may be that this way will show itself sooner than people imagine. Meanwhile it might be worth while for me to trace the various tendencies that have developed in India during the last three years. In doing so I crave the indulgence of my colleagues of the old Working Committee, for it may be necessary for me to refer to certain happenings with which they are connected and which have so far been treated as confidential. I hope I shall not thereby abuse their confidence.

## SAMPLE FAIR OF RAYON TEXTILES

### Japanese Manufacturers On Tour Of 'East'

The Federation of Japan Rayon Manufacturers and Exporters' Association gave a tea party on Friday afternoon, during which was also held the premiere of the Sample Fair of Rayon Textiles, organised to facilitate intercourse between Indian merchants and Japanese dealers, at Menkwa Building, Fort, Bombay.

Varieties of Rayon Textiles, costly, moderate and cheap, have been exhibited at the Fair. Lovely "sari" clothes and other fabrics of variegated colours are displayed. The Fair is worth a visit inasmuch as it provides an excellent opportunity to acquire an idea of the different qualities of Japanese Rayon Textiles available in the Indian Markets.

Messrs. Yukitoshi Amimoto, Tsutae Okabe and Tokutaro Dohi, representatives of the Federation of Japan Rayon Textiles Manufacturers' and Exporters' Association's of Japan are on a business tour of the East. They propose to visit all the important centres in India and Colombo for expansion of their export trade.

Mr. Tsutae Okabe told the "Chronicle" representative that they had come to India not only to expand their business but also to study the various aspects of the Indian Rayon Textile Industry. They would investigate as to what kinds of Rayon goods were manufactured in this country and stop the export of such goods so as to prevent competition with the Indian Industry. They would also study the problem of customs duty.

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Private advices received here from Jeddah state that Mouivi Obeidullah, the exile from Sind, has left Mecca on February 27, by s.s. "El Madina" of the Scindia Steam Navigation Company. The steamer will reach Karachi on March 6.

## HIGH TAXATION ON MOTOR INDUSTRY

### Will Handicap Transport, Fears N. Chinoy

The annual meeting of the Bombay Branch of the Indian Roads and Transport Development Association was held on Friday, when besides a large number of members, the Hon. Mr. Nurie, Minister for Public Works, was present.

Mr. Nurmahomed Chinoy, in proposing the adoption of the Annual Report said:—

"It is with the greatest of pleasure that I have to remark upon the presence in our midst to-day of our distinguished guest, the Hon. Mr. M. Y. Nurie. Tributes have been paid in all quarters to the consuming zeal and devotion to work of the Ministers of the present Bombay Government, which leaves them very little time or energy to spare. It is therefore a matter of especial gratification to our Association that Mr. Nurie, despite his other —and, I have no doubt, more pressing—engagements, should have consented to grace this occasion with his presence. It is indicative of the keen interest which he takes in the progress and development of Road Transport in this province, and of his continued sympathy with the aims of our Association.

MOTOR VEHICLES ACT.

The outstanding events of the year under review have all been referred to in the Annual Report already circulated to you. One of the most important items in the Report, however, to which I feel I must draw your attention now is the new Motor Vehicles Act which will come into force on the 1st July this year.

We are especially concerned with what has been described as the co-ordinative aspect of the Act, which, in my opinion, constitutes a land mark in the history of Road Transport in this country. The control provisions will be welcomed insofar as they are conducive to a general improvement in the conditions of operation of Transport. Vigilance, however, will have to be exercised to see that the measure is administered in a spirit of genuine appreciation of the needs of the general public and of trade and commerce, and is not made instrumental in handicapping Road Transport with a view to placating railway interests.

RAILWAYS' NEW VENTURE.

Many railways have already acquired or are contemplating the acquisition of interests in Road Transport undertakings. We have no complaint with such activities, so long as they are not calculated ultimately to divert road traffic to rail traffic to the detriment of the development of roads in this country or to the interests of other road transport undertakings.

I am compelled to make these observations in view of the implications underlying the statement made by the Hon. Sir Thomas Stewart when introducing the Railway Budget.

BOMBAY-NASIK ROADS.

In my speech at the last Annual General Meeting of the Branch, I referred to the early possibility of the Bombay-Poona and the Bombay-Nasik Roads being completely reconstructed. In this connection I have been in close and constant touch with our distinguished visitor here to-day, the Hon. Minister for Public Works, and I am very happy to be able to announce now that the Government of Bombay, under the energetic guidance of Mr. Nurie, have at long last been able satisfactorily to tackle the long-standing grievances of the motoring public of Bombay, and have already taken in hand the work of modernising the Bombay-Poona and Bombay-Nasik Roads. The first portions of the Bombay-Poona Road to receive attention so far have been the Bhor Ghat and several stretches of the Road between Bombay and the Ghat which were in a particularly bad condition.

I refer to the ruinous burden of taxation borne by Motor Transport. Considering that road transport from a vital part of the arteries of the nation, one is surprised at the almost irresponsible manner in which the various taxing authorities continue to regard it as fair game for subjection to capricious imposts, with no regard whatsoever to the capacity of the industry to bear such taxation.

Gentlemen, I will not tax your patience further. One word more and I have done. I have been your Chairman for wellnigh five years, and partly because I find that owing to various other preoccupations I shall not be able to devote much time to the work of the Association, and partly also because I feel that I have been in office long enough and ought to make room for others who could be expected to devote more time and energy to the affairs of the Association, I do not desire to be re-elected as Chairman of the Branch. I hope the Committee will respect my wishes in the matter at the time of the election of the new office-bearers of the Association.

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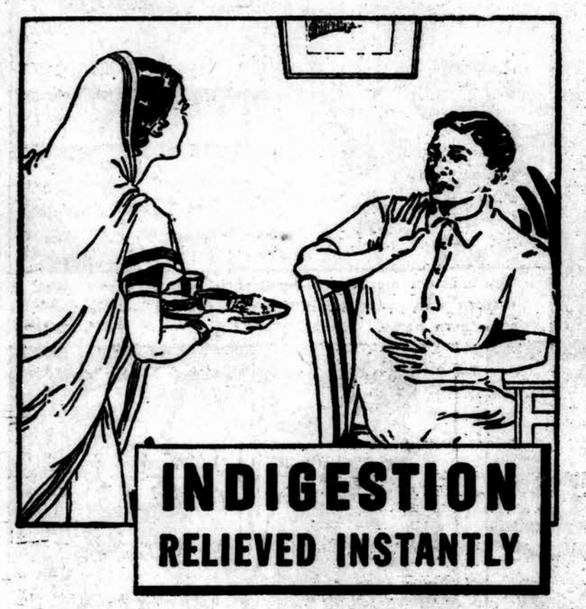
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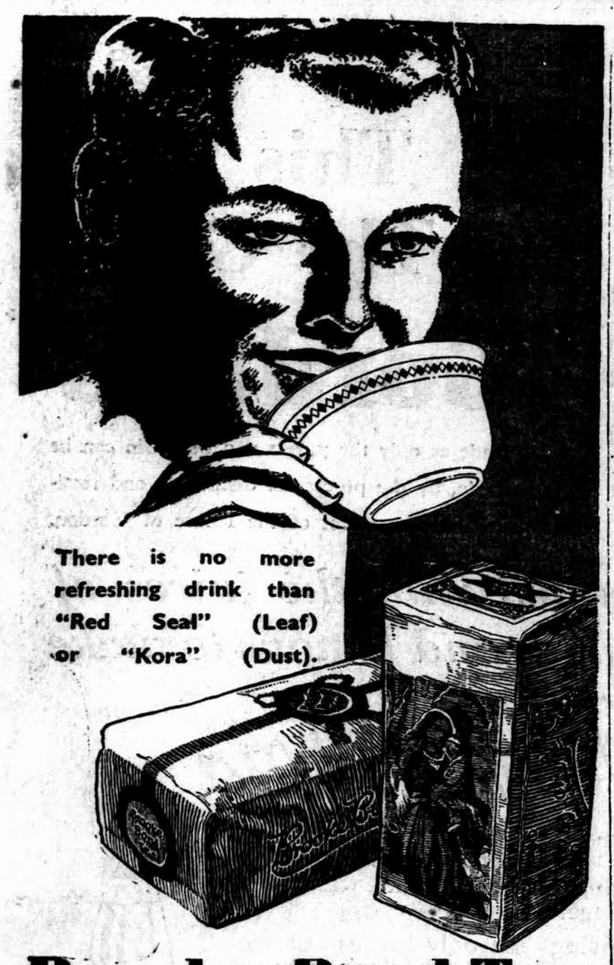

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# Removal Of C. P. Muslims' Grievances

## Part Played By Maulana Abul Kalam

Dr. Kazi Abdul Hameed has issued a statement to the Press in regard to the settlement between the Muslim M.L.A.'s of the Central Provinces and the Government of C. P. In the course of the statement he says:—

"I am very glad that after all a settlement has been reached between the Muslim M.L.A.'s of C. P. and the Government of the said Province. Both the parties have to be congratulated for the tolerance and statesmanship which they showed during the negotiations without which an amicable settlement would not have been possible. Let me add that the Congress Muslims also tried hard to get the legitimate demands of the Muslims of C. P. and Berar redressed. They did that because they owed this duty to their country and community, but instead of recognising their services they are being blamed in all possible ways It is, therefore, essential that true facts should be brought in the light.

MEETING IN DELHI

The grievances of the Muslims of C. P. and Berar were brought to my notice when I was leaving for Delhi to attend the meeting of the A. I. C. C. in September, 1938. An informal conference was held at the office of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-Hind at the invitation of Maulana Ahmed Sayeed to discuss all these problems. Almost all the Muslim members of the A.I.C. C. and the leaders of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema attended it. Members from various provinces acquainted the conference with the state of affairs in their respective provinces. I put forward the case of C. P. Musalmans. A resolution was moved by Mr S. A. Brelvi which was passed unanimously that the grievances of Muslims should be thoroughly investigated and if they are proved to be justified the various Provincial Governments should be requested to remove them. Besides a deputation consisting of Maulana Hifzurrehman, Maulana Nururehman, Mr. Sayeed Razmi and myself was authorised to wait upon the Working Committee of the Congress. We discussed all these problems at great length with the Working Committee. The Committee gave us a very patient and sympathetic hearing and promised to do everything in the matter. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad as a member of the Parliamentary Sub-Committee took special interest in the matter.

C. P. CONFERENCE

Meanwhile in December 1938 a deputation of Muslim League leaders of this Province waited upon Maulana Abul Kalam Azad at Wardha. The Maulana assured them that their legitimate grievances would be immediately removed. A small Informal Conference took place between Maulana Azad, Hon. Pandit R. S. Shukla, the Prime Minister, the Hon. Pandit Misra, the Minister for Local Self-Government, the leaders of the Muslim League and myself. There was heart-to-heart talk between the parties and everybody was anxious to establish good relations. It was agreed that a small committee should be appointed which would go through all these matters and its decisions should be implemented. On Sunday next Mr. Navabzeda Liyaqat Ali Khan, Secretary All India Muslim League, came to Nagpur and it was arranged between him and the Government that a conference of Muslim M.L.A.'s should take place to settle all these affairs. Before the conference, however, the Hon. Prime Minister invited Mr. S. A. Rauf Shah, K. S. Abdur Rehman Khan and myself to an informal gathering. Twenty-four grievances and demands were put and discussed and agreed solutions were reached almost on all the points. A Government Communique has already been issued regarding this meeting. It was very unfortunate that the more active members of the Muslim League could not be persuaded to postpone their satyagraha till the 7th of February when the conference was going to take place. The conference which was attended by the Ministers of C. P. and Berar, Muslim M. L.A.'s, Nawabzada Liyaqat Ali Khan, Hon. Brijlal Biani and myself again discussed all the educational problems of Muslims of the Province and agreed solutions were reached. Instead of Vidya Mandir Scheme, the Musalmans will have their Madinatul Ilm Scheme and I hope the energies of C. P. and Berar Muslims will now be directed in constructive national building channels and the C. P. Government will always be prepared to help them liberally.

The Muslims of C. P. and Berar are very grateful to the untiring efforts of Maulana Azad without whose help and guidance it would not have been impossible to come to such a peaceful settlement. Does it not conclusively prove that the best way of serving the interests of minorities as well as of the country at large is through our common national organisation, i.e., the Congress?

## *ELECTIVE PRINCIPLE FOR CONGRESS CABINET*

### *Nariman's Resolution For Tripuri*

Mr. K. F. Nariman has given notice of the following resolution to be moved in the forthcoming meeting of the All-India Congress Committee at Tripuri:—

"Resolved that the present system and convention of nominating the same individuals or groups as members of the Working Committee for several years consecutively, be discontinued: maintaining the homogeneity and efficiency, the principle of election be recognised and introduced in the future formation of the Working Committees: that the President be requested to prepare a scheme on the above lines, considering also the advisability of increasing its members and the said scheme be considered at the next meeting of the A.-I. C. C."—United Press.

## *DEPUTY SPEAKER OF SIND ASSEMBLY IN BOMBAY*

BOMBAY, Friday.

Miss Jethi Sipahimalani, the recently elected Deputy Speaker of the Sind Legislative Assembly who is on her way to the Tripuri Congress arrived in Bombay from Karachi yesterday. She is accompanied by other leading Congressmen of Sind and will leave for Tripuri in a day or two.

## *JAWAHAR TO REACH TRIPURI ON SUNDAY*

VISHNUDATTNAGAR, March 2.

The Reception Committee have received a wire from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru intimating his arrival here on March 5.

The Committee, it is understood have sent a communication to Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose requesting him to direct the Bengal delegates to travel to Tripuri by the East Indian Railway in view of the attitude of the Bengal Nagpur Railway in regard to railway concession.

A wire has been received from Gandhiji to-day informing the Committee that he is making desperate attempts to reach Tripuri — United Press.

## LEFTISTS' 'LEAD' TO CONGRESS

Under the auspices of the Progressive Youth League a public meeting was held at Choupatty on Thursday evening. Mr. V. B. Karnik presiding. Speeches supporting Subhas Bose were delivered by Messrs. Marathe, Tajuddin, Ambardekar, Bahirat, Tejsingh and others Speakers congratulated Subhas Bose on his election and expressed regret for the resignations of the 13 Working Committee members. At the end the following resolution was unanimously passed expressing the new programme for the Congress:

"This meeting congratulates Babu Subhas Chandra Bose on his election and assures him of its full support. This meeting deplores the resignations of the 13 members of the Working Committee and regards it as most unfortunate and uncalled for. This meeting demands that the Tripuri Congress should chalk out a programme for.

(1) wrecking the Federation.

(2) for more energetic implementing of the election manifesto.

(3) for co-ordinating the parliamentary and extra parliamentary movement.

(4) preparing for the convocation of the Constituent Assembly by so strengthening the Congress Committees as would enable them in the time of crisis to assume the function of Government.

This meeting appeals to all the leaders of the Congress to jointly formulate and execute such a programme. But in case some leaders choose to stay out and oppose such a programme this meeting declares its determination to go ahead with the Congress programme in spite of them under a new leadership.

# Toddy Tappers See Gilder

## Demand For Spreading Prohibition Over Five Years

The Committee appointed at the meeting of Tappers, Drawers and Liquor shop servants met Dr. M. D. D. Gilder at the Secretariat on Thursday the 2nd March 1939. The deputation was led by Mr. M. N. Talpade and Mr. J. J. Athaide The Deputationists represented that they were mainly concerned with the grim prospect of misery and starvation with which the Toddy Tappers, Drawers and servants of the liquor shops and the allied trades were faced, because of the Government resolution to bring complete prohibition into force.

In the present days of unemployment in the City and the Province the men did not know where to look for their daily bread for the effect of prohibition would be to throw them on the streets.

Mr. Talpade suggested that the Government might consider his suggestion of spreading the programme of prohibition over a period of at least five if not ten years and give the traders and employees an opportunity to find other occupations.

Proceeding further Mr. Talpade observed that his Committee wanted the programme to be spread over a period of time because in the meanwhile Government might start Industrial concerns at least for the production of jaggery, vinegar and power alcohol which would be manufactured and distilled from Toddy alone and in which concerns many of the workers rendered jobless on account of prohibition could be absorbed gradually.

The Honourable Minister was greatly interested in the constructive suggestion and inquired whether Mr. Talpade would place a definite scheme before him which the latter promised to do in a short time.

## *NO MORE TWO "DAMMER LANES" IN CITY*

### *Inconvenience To Citizens Removed*

Mr. A. M. K. Zakariah, Mayor of Calcutta, was the distinguished visitor to the Municipal Corporation on Friday. Mr. Sultan M. Chinoy, the Mayor welcomed him on behalf of his colleagues.

The Corporation changed the name of "Dammer Lane" at Gamdevi into "Harischandra Goregaoker Road." It appeared that there are two "Dammer Lanes", in Bombay, one at Gamdevi and another at Pydhoni. Delivery of telegrams and letters were delayed on account of two "Dammer Lanes" in the city. A representation was made to the Municipal Commissioner and the Postal authorities by the residents of the "Dammer Lane" at Gamdevi, and the Municipal Commissioner after careful consideration recommended that the names of "Dammer Lane" at Gamdevi be changed into Harischandra Goregaoker Road" as he owned extensive properties and contributed largely for the improvement of this locality. On the motion of Mr Jethmul Narandas, the Corporation agreed to the recommendation of the Municipal Commissioner.

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The house also agreed to the proposition of Dr. E. Moses requesting the Municipal Commissioner to expedite the report and scheme for the Storm Water Reservoir between the Hornby Vellard and the Race Course so as to enable the Corporation to start with the scheme and recoup the cost of Rs. 35 lakhs incurred for filling those areas and also to request the Municipal Commissioner to obtain Counsel's opinion in the matter of the assessment of the properties belonging to the Royal Western India Turf Club and other cognate matters.

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## *INDO-BRITISH TRADE AGREEMENT*

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NEW DELHI, March 2.

The "United Press" lobby correspondent learns that the draft of the Indo-British Trade Agreement will probably be published on March 18, and a motion for taking it up for consideration will be made in the Central Assembly on March 25

This is contemplated to enable the members of the Assembly to have sufficient time at their disposal to study the terms of the agreement in the light of the promise made by the Commerce Member in reply to a question in the Assembly.—United Press.

*TRADE & FINANCE*

# Decrease In Note Circulation

## Government Paper Improves

### *GOLD AND SILVER STEADY*

### *Weekly Market Reviews*

(From Our Special Correspondent)
BOMBAY, March 3.

MONEY.

Conditions in the money market were easier during the early part of the week day-to-day funds being available at 1 to 1-1/4 per cent, but a steady tone was evinced at the close on beginning of the month demand for funds and call loans were quoted at 1-3/4 to 2 per cent.

The return of the Reserve Bank of India, compiled upto February 24, 1939, reveals a decrease of Rs. 257.78 lacs in the active note circulation, while the ratio of gold plus sterling assets to total liabilities has also shrunk by .117 to 50.454 per cent. In the Banking Department, there is a Microscopic fall in Government Deposits from Rs. 13.71 lacs to Rs. 13,68 lacs and a fall of Rs. 22.88 lacs in Bankers' Deposits. Balances held abroad show a rise of Rs. 242 lacs, while Government have repaid to the Bank Rs. 4.07 crores against "Ways and Means" borrowings, the net outstanding under this head now aggregating Rs. 1.71 crores.

Tenders to Government for three months' Treasury Bills were very small, amounting to Rs. 1.31 crore, whereof Re. 1 crore were accepted at an average rate of Rs. 2-9-4 per cent. per annum, as compared with Rs. 2-9-10 per cent. obtained during the preceding week. Three months' intermediates sold from 22nd to 27th February amounted to Rs. 2,42,25,000. Fixed deposit rates were quoted at 2 1/4 per cent. for three months and 2 per cent. for six months.

GILD EDGED.

A general improvement in the international political situation imparted a cheerful tone to the gilt-edged market. 3-1/2 per cent. India Sterling Stock gradually rose from £86-1/4 to £87 at the close, while 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper in the local market gained well over a rupee from Rs. 96-1 to Rs. 97-3 at the finish. Other redeemable bonds showed little or no change from the previous levels; 2-3/4 per cent. 1948-52 loan were stagnant around Rs. 98-14, 3 per cent. 1941 bonds around Rs. 101-13 and 3-1/2 per cent. 1947-50 loan around Rs. 104-8. 3 per cent. 1951-54 loan closed at Rs. 100-7, 4 per cent. 1943 bonds at Rs. 107-11 and 4 per cent. 1960-70 loan at Rs. 110-8. 4-1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan ruled somewhat easier at Rs. 117-6, 5 per cent. 1939-44 loan at Rs. 100-15 and 3 per cent. 1963-65 new loan at Rs. 97-7. 5 per cent. 1940-43 loan was unchanged at Rs. 104-8 and 5 per cent. 1945-55 (tax free) loan at Rs. 114-9.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling exchange was steady during the period under report, sellers of spot T. T. quoted 1s. 5-59/64d. and buyers 1s. 5-61/64d Business in connection with export of gold was reported to be moderate, while there was small showing of merchandise export bills.

Among the foreign exchanges in London, sterling showed an improvement in terms of the dollar and other currencies, which is reported to be mostly due to bear-covering. The sterling-dollar cross-rate, after opening at 468.96 cents, appreciated to 469.35 cents, but reacted and closed at 468.88 cents. while the premium on three months' forward dollars increased from 1.18 cents to 1.29 cents at the finish. The sterling/franc. cross-rate opened at frs. 177 and closed lower at frs. 176.91, whereas the discount on three months' forward delivery, after widening from frs. 0.280 to 0.340, closed lower at frs. 0.210. Other continental currencies registered a further downward trend on some devaluation rumours, the guilder depreciating from 8.81 to 8.84-1/2 and the belga from 27.-87-3/4 to 27.90, closing at 8.83-3/8 and 27.86 respectively. The Italian lira fluctuated between 89.20 and 89.15. The Shanghai dollar and the yen remained stationary around 8d. and 1s. 2d. all through.

GOLD.

Fluctuations in the gold market were in consonance with the movements in the sterling/dollar cross-rate. The quotation for spot gold, after opening at Rs. 36-15-9, declined to Rs. 36-14-6 mid-week, but improved and closed at Rs. 37-03. Gold for delivery during March settlement, which was quoted at a premium of three pies over spot, stood at level rate with spot at the close, while the premium for April settlement declined from nine pies to six pies. The Reserve Bank of India is reported to have absorbed .....tolas of gold during the week, while small business in connection with export was put through, as compared with the preceding week, due to the imminence of the Central Budget. In London, the price of gold gradually declined from 148s. 3-1/2d. to 148s. 2d., but closed at 148s. 5d: while the premium on gold over the dollar arbitrage parity varied between 1/2d. and 1d. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 23-10-6 both for spot and forward. Floating stocks of gold in the market are estimated at about 50,000 tolas, arrivals at 20,000 tolas a day and offtake at 1,500 tolas a day. Gold bullion and coins valued at Rs. 9,228 were imported during the week, while export of gold bullion to London per s.s. "Strathaird" is valued at Rs. 15,45,453. Gold bullion valued at Rs. 57,84,321 has also gone forward to New York per s.s. "President Hayes." The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs. 37-0-3 and Rs. 36-14-6 for spot, 37-0-3 and Rs. 36-14-9 for March settlement and Rs. 37-0-9 and Rs. 36-15 for April settlement.

SILVER.

Silver maintained a steady tone during the period under report, though the premium for spot declined from six annas to one anna on rumours regarding an increase in the import duty on silver in the Central Budget proving unfounded. The quotation for spot, which had opened at Rs. 52-13, declined to Rs. 52-9 at the close. March settlement silver was quoted at a premium of four annas over April settlement. In London, the quotation for spot gradually declined from 20-9/16d. to 20-3/8d. on Monday and after a sharp rally to 20-9/16d. closed lower again at 20-7/16d., while the premium on spot over two months' forward delivery fluctuated between 3/4d. and 5/8d. Local stocks are estimated at about 1,300 bars, while the daily offtake averages abut 25 bars. Silver coins valued at Rs . 4,002 were imported during the week. The highest and lowest rates recorded during the week were: Rs. 52-13-6 and Rs. 52-9 for spot, Rs. 52-8-6 and Rs. 52-6 for March settlement and Rs. 52-4-6 and Rs. 52-2 for April settlement.

CALCUTTA.

This was a short-working week in the Calcutta stock market. The price for hessians for forward delivery fluctuated between Rs. 9-5 and Rs. 9-6, while the jute section was characterised by dull conditions with only a moderate turnover passing.

SHARES.

Following the publication of the Government of India budget, which had served as a restraining influence, the local market opened quite steady since almost all the forecasts in connection with the budget proposals proved unfounded.

The steel group was particularly firm, Tata Iron and Steel Ordinaries advancing from Rs. 246 to Rs. 266, while Deferreds gained over 100 points to Rs. 1235, closing a little easier on profit-taking at Rs. 259 and Rs. 1190 respectively. The cotton mill section suffered a sharp decline owing to the imposition of an extra duty on the import of raw cotton. Quite a number of the mills use imported cotton for mixing and for the production of finer count cloth. Bombay Dyeings declined from Rs. 853-12 to as low as Rs. 823-12 but improved and closed at Rs. 845. Centuries, after declining from Rs. 225-8 to Rs. 216, closed steadier at Rs. 221, while Kohinoors moved within a narrow range of Rs. 255 and Rs. 246. Central Indias gradually lost ground from Rs. 221 to Rs. 216-8 and Colaba Lands from Rs. 124 to Rs. 118, while New Greats, after touching Rs. 212 earlier in the week, rallied and closed at Rs. 215. Among the Hydro-electric shares, Andhra Valleys were a shade quieter at Rs. 1400, while Tata Powers improved from Rs. 1257-8 to Rs. 1275 and Tata Hydros from Rs. 147 to Rs. 149-8. Bombay Trams were firm on bear-covering and advanced from Rs. 123-8 to Rs. 128-12, but closed lower at Rs. 126-4 on realising. In the miscellaneous group of shares, Associated Cements were steadier at Rs. 115, while Belapurs, after dropping to Rs. 166 mid-week, recovered and closed at Rs. 172 and Bombay Burmas likewise, after declining to Rs. 431, improved and closed at Rs. 439. There was practically no change in Scindia Steams which were quoted around Rs. 18, whereas New Indias improved from Rs. 35-6 to Rs. 35-14 at the finish. Bank and Railway shares were practically unchanged; Bank of Indias quoting Rs. 140-12xd. and Central Banks Rs. 33. Imperial Bank Fully Paids changed hands at Rs. 1531-4 and Partly Paids at Rs. 368-12. Ahmed. Prantij Railways went ex-dividend and were quoted down to Rs. 940, while Tapti Valleys were almost static around Rs. 797-8.


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| Reserve Fund | Rs. 1,10,50,000 |

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.
Interest is allowed on daily balances from Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000 at 1/2 per cent per annum. Interests on balances in excess of 1,00,000 allowed only by special arrangement. No credit will be given in account for interest amounting to less than Rs. 3 per half year.

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# Our Readers' Views

### Extension Of Prohibition Limits

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—It is encouraging to note that the Bombay Government has decided to declare the whole area encircled by the sea and the Bassein—Thana Creek from 1st August 1939. In order the scheme should meet with success and the people living in the prohibited area should not abuse the policy, it would be safe to extend the area as far as Virar.

It is understood that the Bassein Taluka Congress Committee has passed the resolution, requesting the Government to extend the prohibition area from Bassein Creek to Dativara Creek (near Virar).

My reasons for suggesting the extension of the area. are as follows:—

At present there is a country liquor shop and a Toddy shop too in the vicinity of Bassein Road station and so also at Virar. Many addicts from this prohibited area would certainly travel to these places and would demoralise the whole neighbourhood. We are aware how Government was forced to close the shops in the suburbs during the two dry days in Bombay City when they found innumerable addicts began to go to suburbs to satiate their thirst. So also there is another country liquor shop in the Bassein Town near fish market. Here the people from Dharavi Island can very easily come down by ferry as there is a regular service from Tarodi to Bassein Fort.

If Government found that it is not possible this year to extend the area as far as Dativara Creek, Government should take steps not only to close the liquor shops but also toddy shops from Bassein Road Station, Bassein Town and Virar.

I sincerely hope the Government will duly consider the suggestions as the auction sale for country liquor shops is to take place in second week of this month.—Yours, etc.,

"A SUBURBAN CATHOLIC".

### Surya Namaskar In Schools

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—The Administrative Officer Ahmedabad District School Board has issued a circular for compelling students for having a Surya Namaskar exercise as per copy of the circular attached herewith marked A. I enquired about the same as per copy of the letter marked B, to which he replied by his letter marked C, to which I have replied marked D.

Please therefore publish the necessary things for public information and oblige.—Yours, Sincerely, etc.

M. M. NARSINH.
Hon. Secretary
District Muslim League,
Ahmedabad.

Feb. 7.

A.

One period during the course of everyday for physical exercise has been fixed in the time table in which drills, games, exercises etc. are taught. Amongst all forms of exercises the exercise of sun-bowing is such that it does not require any instrument and is such that it can be adopted by children, adults and even ladies without harm and hence to include the same in time table, the teachers of all primary schools should be according informed.

The method of exercise as under:—

Firstly to stand foot close foot and hands folded against the Sun and then to make movements according to numbers as under:—

1. Then to take both hands down and lay the palms on the ground and rest horse-like.
2. Then to lift both hands up and keep the palms facing the face.
3. Then to withdraw the left leg back and stand on toes.
4. And then to withdraw the right leg back and do as abcve.
5. Then to lay the body and hands and feet to maintain the same position. (Dand wat.)
6. Then to lift the waist and to keep the head low and fix the eyes against the Sun.
7. As No. 4. (Pause)
8. Then to lay the right leg forward. Condition as No. 3.
9. Then to lay the left leg forward. Condition as No. 2.
10. Then to stand up and stand folded hands.

The minimum in week for such exercise should be fixed for 15 minutes. At the time of taking exercises it should be borne in mind that sick, weak, or injured or likely to experience pain should be exempted from such exercise.

B.

Ahmedabad District Muslim League.

Kalupur Chakla AHMEDABAD, 18-1-39.

From,
Mahomedali M. Narsinh, B.A., LL.B.
Hon. Secretary District Muslim League.
Kalupur Chakla, AHMEDABAD.

To,
Administrative Officer,
District School Board,
AHMEDABAD.

Sir—, I am informed that you have issued Circular order to compel students attending Primary Schools in the Ahmedabad District to offer Surya Namaskar under the guise of exercise.

Looking to details of the ceremony it is wholly idolatrous and against Islam.

Please therefore let me know if it is a fact, and if yes, I shall be obliged to have an authentic copy of the said Circular.

Further, I have the honour to request you to cancel this Circular at once and oblige.

An early reply is solicited.

Yours, faithfully,
M. M. NARSINH,
Honorary Secretary,
Ahmedabad District Muslim League, Ahmedabad.

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# Plight Of Indian Cotton Growers

## DEFECT OF HEDGE CONTRACT AND EFFECT OF STRADDLE OPERATIONS

Mr. Begraj Gupta, President, Cotton Brokers Association, Bombay at its annual general meeting held on Feb. 23 said:—

Cotton being the most important agricultural produce of the country occupies a pre-eminent position in the agricultural economy of India. Consequently its price fluctuations appreciably react upon the general economic conditions in the country. In recent years Indian cotton having fetched exceptionally low prices, the economic condition of the cotton-growers has been growing worse and worse. Even a greater industrial and mercantile centre like Bombay has also begun to feel the pinch. Recent reports, moreover, have fore-shadowed an unfavourable change in the policy of the United States Government on the question of maintaining stability in cotton prices. The future of the cotton trade at any rate the immediate future thus appears to be dark.

In this situation, it is our duty to look into the causes of the present plight of the cotton trade. It would be futile to examine the bearing of developments affecting the cotton trade in America or other foreign lands. Therefore, confining ourselves to indigenous conditions, we find that certain adverse conditions ruling in this country have greatly accentuated the decline in cotton prices and keeping them thus depressed. In the first place, the existing Hedge Contract of cotton has a tendency to maintain a downward pressure on the level of cotton prices. Another factor which has substantially contributed to increase that pressure is our huge volume of straddling transactions between American and Indian cottons involving forward sales of seven to eight lakhs of bales in India. I think that on a modest computation the combined effect of these causes has been to lower the price of Indian cotton by Rs. 5 per Khandy if not more. In other words, our cotton-growers have lost and are losing at the rate of 1 1/2 crores of rupees per year.

Gentlemen, it is rather surprising that the United Kingdom which is one of the largest purchasers of American cotton is trying to use the fact of its having increased its purchase of Indian cotton by two or three lakhs of bales over its usual buyings mainly attracted by the exceptionally low level of Indian prices as a lever to make India purchase many times greater quantity of British piecegoods. Indeed, it does not seem impossible that Britain may successfully dictate to India on this issue. Whether or not my voice goes beyond the four walls of this Hall, I have no hesitation in drawing public attention to the grave dangers of thoughtlessly surrendering to such dictation.

### TRADE CONSTITUTION

On this occasion, Gentlemen, I consider it my duty to say a few words about the constitution of the East India Cotton Association. The other day speaking on the same subject from the platform of the recently-started Cotton Buyers Association, its president Sir Joseph Kay complained about the "unfair and unreasonable influence of the brokers on the cotton trade of Bombay", and expressed strong opposition to the principle of unitary control over the cotton trade. Those who are acquainted with the history of the cotton trade of Bombay will recall that it was these very friends, 'the buyers', who brought Government control over the cotton market. A time was, not very long ago, when their word was law in the cotton market. The position was so far anomalous that the Indian seller used to be openly discriminated against in such matters as brokerage and muccadumage allowance. I have no desire to rake up old memories and raise unpalatable controversies, because the relations between the Indian and European sections of the trade are as cordial as can be and there is every reason to believe that such relationship is going to abide. I cannot, however, in fairness, refrain from reminding you that when that dominant position began to wane, our friends "the buyers" invoked the intervention of the then Provincial Government, with a view to preserving intact their predominant influence over the market. It was no fault of theirs that the form in which the constitution of the East India Cotton Association was first accepted and later modified by the trade, instead of being exactly as they had wished and planned it to be, has been such as to tend to diminish the disproportionate influence and control of the buyers' group over the cotton market. The same group has now come out in the name of the Cotton Buyers Association to oppose the demand for the vesting of unitary control over the cotton trade in the East India Cotton Association.

### LOSS TO SELLERS

The result of this lack of balance between the pulls of the sellers' and buyers' panels is prejudicial to the selling interest for obvious reasons. I shall mention to-day only one instance of how sellers suffer disadvantage in consequence of their faulty representation. I refer to the practice of the buyers of calling for an unnecessarily large number of samples. Even a buyer intending to purchase just a hundred bales of cotton or with no serious intention to buy at all can get the sellers concerned to break open hundreds of bales, to produce for his inspection the samples drawn therefrom, and, after keeping them for some time, may simply decline to make any purchase at all. In this manner thousands of bales are broken open causing unnecessary loss to the sellers. When such cotton is returned, it gets soiled and otherwise spoiled. In order to stop the injustice caused by this undesirable practice the rules of the East India Cotton Association were amended to the effect that the buyer must take the sample cotton by weight and pay for it in proper time at rates to be fixed by the Board. Although this was not expected to wholly stop the loss caused by the present practice, yet some relief was certainly expected. But unfortunately the buyers immediately combined together and effectively prevented this wholesome rule (Bye-law 112) from being put into practice. The matter went so far that in a particular case a seller who wanted to stand on his rights under the amended rule asked to be paid for the sample cotton soon discovered that if he insisted on his rights he would find no buyer for his cotton. To this day that rule is being openly violated by the buyers. I think the question is serious enough for the Government of Bombay to call for the papers relating to this question and demand explanation of the buyers' group. I can and if need be, shall mention many similar instances of the buyers taking undue advantage of their position and influence. Will our friends, the buyers who talk so much of "unfair and unreasonable influence of the brokers" point out a single instance to show that brokers have insisted upon the retention of any similar "unfair and unreasonable practice". It ill becomes those who live in glass houses to indulge in indiscriminate stone-throwing.

The other consideration which the Provincial Government should bear in mind in connection with the amendment of the rules is that the hedge contract should be so constituted that it is not subject to undue pressure or undue squeezes. That is one sure way of safe-guarding the interests of the cotton-growers.

### BONDED WAREHAUSES.

It should be further remembered that in existing conditions it is not possible for the growers to deal directly in the Bombay market. They are and can be rightly represented by those traders who purchase cotton at the cotton-growing centres and forward it for sale to the Bombay market, or who stock cotton in the upcountry centres and hedge against it in the Bombay market. In the interests of these traders or the well-to-do class of the agriculturists, it is exceedingly desirable that bonded ware-houses are provided in Bombay.

### CHECK ON SPECULATION

One serious question which is crying for solution is the rapid and alarming rate at which the middle class public is getting more and more involved in speculation with disastrous consequences to their economic condition. Proper and coctive means must be devised to protect such people from ruination. Unfortunately some vested interests are trying to recommend to the Government a line of action which is calculated to produce the opposite results.

Before I close, I may appeal that, in these and other matters, our Congress Government should not allow themselves to be guided by the interested opinion and advice of the vested interests but should fashion their policy after carefully diagnosing the troubles which are required to be remedied.

# FURTHER DECLINE IN WHEAT PRICES

## Operators Losing Confidence

(From Our Commercial Correspondent)

DELHI, Feb. 24.

During the week under review the wheat markets have been like past week, easy and quiet and the values have sustained a substantial loss. However, the overseas markets, though pessimism was apparent, had displayed a mixed trend. We see at present in the horizon a good ingredients which point to easier conditions. This every day decline in our home market has now farther impaired the confidence of the 'long' operators who were till recently expecting of an overturn. The minds of the upcountry business men during mid-week were chiefly over the proceedings of the Punjab Non-Agriculturists Conference which held a two-day session at Amritsar. The conference adopted a large number of important resolutions; amongst them the most important was one that called upon the traders and brokers to stop forward transactions and refuse to stock agricultural produce. This resolution, it is certain, if given effect to, by the business community will bring down the prices of agricultural produce. The adoption of the resolution shows the earnestness of the traders to undergo all sacrifices to fight the Marketing Bill and other discriminatory measures.

### NORTHERN MARKETS.

The North Indian markets developed a weaker frame of mind on account of good rain fall all over the U.P. and Punjab wheat tracts. The bulls had been unloading as a result of which the markets showed little signs of reaction. Towards the close the ready buyers were very active but despite this fact the firmness was not forthcoming. The over-bought state credited by recent political uncertainties also gave o help to mark down the prices. Those who were credited with long interests were forced to reverse their position as outside support did not prove of any help to save the price structure. Hapur touched the highest at Rs. 2/14/3 and the lowest at Rs. 2/12/5 for Jeth. The total exports amounted to about 8 Khattis from Hapur, 5000 bags from Amritsar and 5000 maunds from Chandausi. Almost all these exports were on millers' accounts. It is reported that Delhi millers are buying at Hapur. The stocks in Hapur has come down to to-day 484 Khatis (Last year 310 Khattis), in Amritsar to 50,000 bags (last year 110,000 bogs), in Lyallpur to 170,000 bags (Last year 41,000 bags) and in Chandausi to 18,000 maunds. The arrivals in the Punjab are unchanged while in the U.P. centres they have reduced to 150 mds. per day. In the former, the millers are the chief buyers. In Indore there is abundance of wheat imports but the stocks are small at 500 tons.

### GENERAL RAINS

All round general rains improving the new crop outlook, disappointed bulls liquidation and profit realizing as well as speculative selling; all these factors were responsible for declining the Karachi market to a net extent of 11 annas per candy. The internal outlook of the wheat market was also in favour of the downward trend. July at the highest touched at Rs. 25/4/3 and the lowest at 24/8/6; these levels were touched on the opening and closing day respectively. Fluctuations were moving about in accordance with the change in weather. Traders showed little interest both in actuals and forward positions. The spot sales totalled about 18,500 bags which were bought by local millers and sundry shippers. The stockists are the main sellers. Daily arrivals and exports have now increased to 5700 bags and 3500 bags. During the week ended February 22, the total arrivals amounted to 34,242 bags and the shipments to about 20,596 bags. They have brought the progressive figures for imports and exports to 5,277,102 bags and 3,868,404 bags respectively, during the period since the 1st of April to date.

### BEARISH FEELING

The international wheat markets have shown a mixed trend, although the under current was something bearish. Liverpool opening at 54 1/4 for March declined to close at 52 3/4 on account of March liquidation and exporters selling at lower rates. Ready demand continued small. But contrarily Chicago showed an adverse attitude and gradually the prices improved on the announcement that the Canadian Government will abandon its present wheat policy at the end of the current crop year and substitute a programme of encouraging farmers' pools. Cash and milling interests are making good purchases whereas seaboard interest are selling against purchases in Winnipeg. At times, the markets would react in sympathy with more favourable Indian crop advices and better conditions in the parts of Kanada. The heavy surplus of Argentina wheat is a cause of depression in European markets.

Early in the week, cold clear weather was prevalent in South-west and reports of violent changes in temperatures, highwinds, and dust were reported from America. But later on, the crop position got a somewhat improvement, though the inadequacy of sub-soil moisture was felt. Sowing in Russia has been hindered by continued snow-fall. The winter crop is estimated at 500 million bushels as against 687 million bushels a year ago. The Argentina official report is put at 3,700,000 tons as against 5,029,000 tons last year.

### *Produce Receipts*

Bombay, March 3.

| | |
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| Wheat | 4,234 cwts. |
| Linseed | 29,921 cwts. |
| Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds | 443 cwts. |
| Gingellyseed | 298 cwts. |
| Groundnuts | 16,816 cwts. |
| Castorseed | 4,076 cwts. |
| Rice | 68,298 cwts. |
| Myrabollams | 4,146 cwts. |
| Cottonseed | 11,812 cwts. |
| Gram | 4,488 cwts. |
| Joowar | 2 157 cwts. |
| Bajree | 484 cwts. |
| Indian Sugar | 1,296 cwts. |

## IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 24th February 1939.

LIABILITIES.

| | Rs. | Rs. |
|---|---|---|
| CAPITAL:— | | |
| Authorised—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each | | 11,25,00,000 |
| Issued and Subscribed — 2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each | 11,25,00,000 | |
| Called up—75,000 shares of Rs. 500 each fully paid | 3,75,00,000 | |
| 1,50,000 shares of Rs. 500 each, Rs. 125 paid | 1,87,50,000 | 5,62,50,000 |
| Reserve Liability of Shareholders—Rs. 375 per share on 1,50,000 shares | 5,62,50,000 | |
| Reserve Fund | | 5,55,00,000 |
| Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts | | 81,84,26,000 |
| Loans against Securities per contra | | — |
| Acceptances for Constituents | | 5,72,000 |
| Sundries | | 50,08,000 |
| Rupees | | 93,57,54,000 |

ASSETS.

| | Rs. | Rs. |
|---|---|---|
| INVESTMENTS:— | | |
| Government Securities | 38,94,52,000 | |
| Other Authorised Investments | 97,10,000 | 39,91,62,000 |
| ADVANCES:— | | |
| Loans | 8,56,70,000 | |
| Cash Credits and Overdrafts | 23,55,19,000 | |
| Bills Discounted and Purchased | 4,49,41,000 | 36,81,30,000 |
| Liability of Constituents for Acceptances per contra | | 5,72,000 |
| Dead Stock | | 1,90,68,000 |
| Sundries | | 50,68,000 |
| Bullion | | — |
| CASH:— | | |
| In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India | 6,50,04,000 | |
| Balances with other Banks | 8,07,49,000 | 14,57,53,000 |
| Rupees | | 93,57,54,000 |

### *Alexandria Cotton*

Alexandria, Mar 2

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| SAKELS— | |
| March | 12.38+7 |
| May | 12.52+7 |
| ASHMOUNI— | |
| April | 10.26+2 |
| June | 10.32+1 |
| August | 10.34 |
| October | 10.10+2 |
| GIZA— | |
| March | 12.46+13 |
| May | 12.57+11 |
| July | 12.65+06 |
| November | 12.57+06 |
| January | 12.63+04 |

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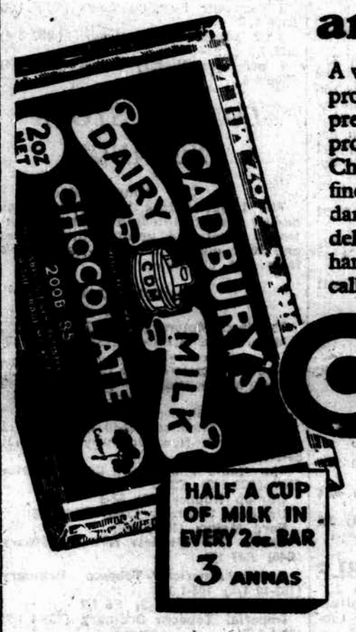


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# Latest Commercial News

## NEW YORK COTTON FOUR POINTS UP

## Brighter Sentiment On Stock Exchange

### GILT, KAFFIRS AND OILS FIRM

BOMBAY, March 3.

**NEW YORK COTTON.**

Developments in connection with Smith Bill are anxiously awaited, and operations were colourless, there was little effect of profit-taking and prices were maintained.

**LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.**

Markets displayed brighter sentiment and prices showed the upward trend on increased buying interest. Home Industrials were prominent. Gilts, Kaffirs and oils were firm and fairly active.

**BULLION.**

Bear covering helped the silver market to register a small rise. Gold was steady in London, with small variations.

## COTTON

### LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

JULY 1939

New York, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 8.04 |
| To-day's opening | 8.05 |
| Difference | +.01 |
| To-day's closing | 8.08 |
| Difference | +.04 |

### LIVERPOOL COTTON

JULY 1939

Liverpool, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 4.71 |
| To-day's opening | 4.74 |
| Difference | +.03 |
| To-day's closing | 4.76 |
| Difference | +.05 |

BROACH EXPECTATION

| | |
|---|---|
| April May 1939 | Rs. 154-0 |
| July August | Rs. 156-0 |

### N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, March 3.

The New York cotton continued to await developments in connection with Smith Bill. Meanwhile the steadiness of Liverpool contributed to the prevailing steadiness, otherwise operations were colourless.

Trading in July commenced at 8.05 i.e. one point higher than the last closing. Prices steadied on higher Liverpool cables and scattered trade and foreign buying which easily absorbed profit-taking otherwise the demand was lacking with prices remaining around opening levels.

### BOMBAY COTTON

Late Trading

Bombay, March 3.

The local market was entirely closed to-day.

### NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 3.

The following were the opening ranges:—

| | |
|---|---|
| March | (8.62/8.61) 8.63/8.63 |
| May | (8.25/8.25) 8.29/8.29 |
| July | (8.04/8.04) 8.05/8.05 |

### LIVERPOOL COTTON

London, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| American March | (4.92) 4.94 |
| American May | (4.89) 4.90 |
| Egyptian March | (8.35) 8.35 |
| Egyptian May | (8.66) 8.66 |

## LONDON COMMODITIES

TEAS

London, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Indian Pekoe | (9-10 3/4) 9-10 3/4 |
| Indian Pekoe higher | (1-3 1/2) 1-3 1/2 |
| Ceylon Pekoe | (1-0 3/4) 1-0 3/4 |
| Ceylon Pekoe higher | (1-6 1/4) 1-6 1/4 |

JUTE

First Marks C. I. F. Continent New Crop March-April (£23 1/4 sellers) £23 3/8 paid and buyers

Dunlop March (£29) £29

Lightning March (£26 1/2) £26 1/2

RUBBER

Spot (8 5/16 paid and value) 8 5/16 paid and sellers

Forward April June (8 3/8 paid and value) 8 3/8 paid and value.

SEEDS

Castorseed Bombay March-April (£10 1/2 sellers) £10 1/2 sellers

Linseed La Plata March (£12 9/16 nominal) £12 9/16 nominal.

Linseed La Plata March (£10 7/8 sellers) £10 7/8 sellers

Groundnuts Coromandal April (£10 1/2 sellers) £10 7/16 sellers.

METALS

Tin (£214 1/4 buyers £214 1/2 sellers. Barely steady) £214 3/8 buyers £214 1/2 sellers. Steady.

Lead (£14 3/16 buyers £14 1/4 sellers. Barely steady) £14 5/16 buyers £14 3/8 sellers.

Electrolytic Copper (£47 1/2 to £48 1/4). £47 1/2 to £48

Spot (182) 182

## EXCHANGES

### CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 4.68 13/16 |
| To-day's opening | 4.68 13/16 |
| At the time of New York cotton closing | 4.68 11/16 |

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 4.68.84 |
| To-day's opening | 4.68.78 |
| To-day's closing | 4.68.79 |

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 176.91 |
| To-day's opening | 176.94 |
| To-day's closing | 176.89 |

### LONDON EXCHANGES

London, March 3.

London Exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.68.78 and then improved to 4.68.81 on better enquiry. The subsequent changes were small.

Franc opened at 176.94 and then appreciated to 176.91 on scattered support with the trend thereafter being steady.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 15/16) 1-5 31/32
Paris on Bombay (13.215) 13.227
New York on Bombay (35.08) 35.08
Berlin on Bombay (87 1/4) 87 1/4
London on Milan (89.15) 89.12
London on Shanghai (0-6 1/8 nominal) 0-6 1/8 nominal.
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

BULLION

Influx (£5566983) Nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£7-8-3 1/2) £7-8-4
Silver (20 1/2d.) 20 1/2d.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (9/16 to 9/16 per cent) 9/16 to 9/16 per cent
4 months (9/16 to 5/8 per cent) 9/16 to 5/8 per cent
6 months (5/8 to 11/16 per cent) 5/8 to 11/16 per cent

### LONDON SILVER CABLE

Bombay, March 3.

The following cable regarding silver market was received in Bombay to-night:—

"Little Indian buying. Bear covering. Market quiet."

LONDON SILVER

London, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Spot | (20 1/2d) 20 1/2d nil |
| Forward | (19 3/4d) 19 13/16d+1/16 |

LONDON GOLD

London, March 3.

Gold Bars fine per ounce (£7-8-3 1/2) £7-8-4

### WHEAT AND LINSEED Closing Quotations

Bombay, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Wheat May | 3 7 3 |
| Wheat September | 3 7 9 |
| Linseed May | 5 3 3 |
| Linseed September | 5 5 6 |

### Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, March 3.

Liverpool wheat opened quiet with new May quoting at 52 5/8d. Prices displayed fairly good activity influenced by steadier overseas cables but later the trading slackened.

### Chicago Wheat

Chicago, March 3.

Chicago wheat opened quiet with May quoting at 0.68 3/4. The market was quiet and featureless in the absence of any fresh developments. The rate receded to 0.68 5/8.

### LIVERPOOL WHEAT QUOTATIONS

Liverpool, March 3.

The market closed with March being quoted at 52 5/8d.

### NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, March 3.

General Motors (dol 48 3/4) dol 48 3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 30 1/8) dol 30 3/8
U S Common New Stock (dol 62 5/8) dol 64
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) unquoted.

### 3½% GOVT. LOAN

Latest Quotation

3 1/2 per cent Government paper was quoted at Rs. 96/12 at 5 p.m.

### INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, March 3.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £87

Closing quotations on the previous days were:—

Wednesday, February 22, £86 3/4
Thursday, February 23 £86 1/4
Friday, February 24, £86 1/2
Monday, February 27, £86 1/2
Tuesday, February 28, £86 3/4
Wednesday, March 1, £87
Thursday, March 2, £87

### INDIAN LOANS

London, March 3. 3-30 p.m.

3 per cent Indian (£95 1/2) £95 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£87) £87
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£109) £109
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 (£112 1/2) £112 1/2
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-53 (£105) £105
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£107 1/2) £107 1/2
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£99 1/2) £99 1/2

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan 1945/58 (£103 1/4) £103 1/2

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent (£69 7/8) £70
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£96 5/8) £96 5/8
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£104 1/8) £104 1/8
5 per cent Funding Loan (£108 1/4) £108 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£97 3/4) £97 7/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£106 1/4) £106 1/4

### LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 3.

The London Stock Exchange was quietly steady Giltedged securities continued quiet and uninteresting three and half quoted at 87 1/16 unchanged from last closing.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (17-10 1/2) 18-6
Motors and Spencers Ordinary (60) 60
Hydro Electric (dol 4 1/8) dol 4 1/4
Elec Music Industry (12-10 1/2) 12-10 1/2
Princhin Johnson (28-9) 28-9
Imperial Chemical (31-10 1/2) 31-10 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (64-4 1/2) 64-4 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£20 1/2) £21-0
Dunlop Rubber (27) 27-9
Unilever Ordinary (35-3) 35-10 1/2
Ford Motors (18-3) 18-3
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£46) £47 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (101-10 1/2) 103-1 1/2
Carreas 'A' (£6 1/2) £6 1/2
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (139-4 1/2) 139-4 1/2
P and O. S. N. Company Deferred (21-7 1/2) 21-7 1/2
Distillers (94-0) 94-0
Bredford Dyers (2-10 1/2) 2-10 1/2
British Celanese (4-4 1/2) 4-4 1/2
J and P Coates Ordinary (35-10 1/2) 35-10 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (28-9) 28-9
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-9) 2-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (23-9) 23-9
Inter Nickels (dol 55 7/8 Ex Div) dol 56 1/4
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (45) 45

TEA SHARES

Assam Tea (16-10 1/2) 17-6
Donaro Tea (35-0) 35-0
Empire of India (23-9) 23-9

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£11 3/4) £11 3/4

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (25-3) 25-3
Gula Kelampong (20-0) 20-0
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (29-3) 29-3

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (37-6) 37-6
Burma Corporation (8-9) 8-9
Rio Tintos (£13 3/4) £13 7/8
East Rand Proprietors (53-9) 54-4 1/2
Rand Mines (£8 5/8) £8 5/8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£15 3/4) £15 3/4
Associated Portland Cement (76-3) 76-3
Trinidad Leaseholds (88-9) 90-0
Sub Nigel (£11 5/8) £11 5/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (27-6) 28-1 1/2
Union Corporation (£7 7/8) £7 7/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (23-9) 24-4 1/2
Anglo Iranian (33-9) 33-9
Burma Oil (35-0) 35-0
Mexican Eagle (6-8) 7-1 1/2
Shell Transport (36-3) 37-6
Royal Dutch (£36 1/4) £36 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£27 1/2) £28
London Midland Ordinary (£13 1/8) £13 1/8
London North Eastern Def (£2 3/4) £2 7/8
Southern Def (£14) £14
London Transport 5 per cent (£119 1/2) £119 1/2
London Transport 'C' (£76 1/2) £75 1/4

### LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Upward Trend Resumed

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, March 3.

On the Stock Exchange with increased public interest an upward trend was resumed.

Industrials especially meeting renewed attention and several good gains being registered. Boots Druggist stores rose by half a crown to 45 shillings on talk of the possibility of a jubilee banus. Oils and Trans-Atlantics were supported while Kaffirs were helped by local and Paris buying

Wall Street opened firm and active.

### RATNAGIRI CHAMBHAR CONFERENCE

The Ratnagiri District Chambhar Conference was held at Chiplun at which speeches supporting the Congress Government's activities in the interests of the masses were made. The Tenancy Bill and the provision for vocational training were mentioned as instances by Mr. G V. Bhorgarkar, Chairman Reception Committee and Mr. N. S. Kajrolkar President of the Conference in their speeches. Mr. Kajrolkar also spoke in favour of joint electorates.

### INDIAN INDUSTRIES FAIR

Construction work for the Fifth Indian Industries Fair which will be held from March 16th to April 16th, at Azad Maidan, Bombay, is proceeding rapidly.

Arrangements are being made for special stalls to demonstrate industries and their workings.

A novel idea to improve the salesmanship and showmanship in India will be introduced by Indian Market of Bombay, a Magazine, which is advertising better merchandising and rapid industrialization of the country. The Management of the Fair has accepted its offer of a Cup and a Medal for the two Best Stall Displays in the Fair and a Courtesy Medal for the Best Salesman.

### Dr. C. R. Reddy Honoured By Telugus Of Kamatipura

The local Telugu population of Kamatipura accorded a warm reception to Dr. C. R. Reddy Vice-Chancellor of the Andhra University on Friday morning in the Telugu Library Hall Kamatipura. Those present at the reception included Messrs. S. L. Silam, V. S. Alkonde, Dr. Gandham, Dr. Bhusrath, Viswanath Tulla newly elected corporator, S. B. Awar, N. C. M. Acharya, Advocates and others.

Dr. Reddy discussed several important problems confronting the Telugu-speaking population throughout the country and pleaded for its fraternization. He referred to the question of recognition of Telugu by the Bombay University which he expected would be accomplished before long. The Andhra University, he said, the sole centre of Telugu culture, expected all members of the community diffused throughout the country to back its endeavours.

### The Late Mr. Rungtha

We regret to announce the death of Seth Ramjidas Prithiraj Rungtha on Friday at his residence in Girgaum.

The late Seth Ramjidas hailed from Rajputana and was a senior member of the firm of Messrs. Sarupchand Prithiraj which is one of the oldest and leading Marwari firms in the city, doing extensive business in cotton, seeds, bullion, shares, etc.

Seth Ramjidas was a man of a pious and retiring disposition and has given liberally for many charities in Rajputana and other parts in India.

Cotton, seeds, bullion and grain markets in the city were closed to-day in memory of his death.

### Lecture On Pure Water Supply

Mr. Aitkin delivered a lecture at the air-conditioned hall of the Bombay Electric Supply Company on Friday evening on 'purification of water and its supply to cities. Mr. W. T. Lane, Vice-President of the Bombay Engineering Congress was in the chair.

He said water had to go through many scientific processes before it was made available at the tap for consumption by the inhabitants of a town.

KANARESE DRAMAS.—In aid of the Akhila Karnatak Seva Samiti's project of a Kannada school, the Amateurs of the Bombay Kannada Sangha will put on boards "Ratnavavali" and Mr. T. P. Kailasam's social hit "Home Rule" at 4-15 p.m. on Sunday, March 5, at the Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel (Poibawdy Tram Jn.), under the presidentship of Mr. R. A. Jahagirdar, M.A., LL.B.

GAYANOTTEJAK MANDALI

A private concert of the Gayanottejak Mandali of Bombay will be held at the Seva Sadan Malabari Memorial Hall to-day (Saturday), at 5-30 p.m.

"TASK BEFORE TRIPURI"

Under the auspices of the Suburban Students' Union Mr. U. B. Karnik (Royist) will deliver the 3rd lecture of the series on 'Task Before Tripuri' at Bajaj Wadi, Station (Bd.), Santa-Cruz, at 9 p.m to-day (Saturday). Special accommodation for ladies.

SUBURBAN MEETING PROTESTS AGAINST RAJKOT THAKORE'S ACTION

(From A Correspondent.)

A meeting of the citizens of the Bombay Suburbs held under the auspices of the Suburban Students' Union protested against the action of the Thakore Saheb of Rajkot which ultimately forced Gandhiji to go on fast for an indefinite period.

## Poland Claims Colonies

### Govt. Party's Declaration

WARSAW, March 3.

The camp of the National Unity, the Government Party, has made a claim for an access to the colonial territory as part of the official party programme.

The declaration shows that the object of the Party is to secure a share in the exploitation of the colonial territory in Africa.

It is claimed that Poland's share in the possession of the colonies will contribute to the development of international collaboration and general appeasement.—Reuter.

## Lie-down Strike In Commons Lobby

### *Demonstration Of Unemployed Persons Lasts 3 Minutes*

LONDON, March 2.

Nearly a hundred unemployed persons staged a lie-down strike in a lobby of the House of Commons.

The men arrived in the House in small groups and requested to see Mr. Brown, Minister for Labour.

While waiting the men lay down covering themselves with posters and shouting "We Want Work".

The demonstration lasted only three minutes, police ejecting the men.—Reuter.

### NO PLAN FOR PASSIVE RESISTANCE

Transvaal Indian Congress President's Denial

JOHANNESBURG, March 2.

The President of the Transvaal Indian Congress states that the Indian Community of Transvaal will not organise passive resistance against the Segregation Bill.

In a statement he says: "At a meeting I declared a resolution protesting against segregation had been carried, but an amendment regarding resistance was defeated."—Reuter.

### *WILL NATIONALISTS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE?*

*Move To Conquer Remaining Republican Territory In Spain*

BURGOS, March 3.

The likelihood of a Nationalist offensive to conquer the remaining Republican territory grows stronger.

It is considered in military circles that there are apparently no authorities in the Republican zone who can speak for the zone as a whole and that it is better to force a military conclusion.

General Franco has swiftly approved of Marshal Petain's appointment. They are old friends and were fellow officers.

### *Civil Governor Of Valencia*

BURGOS, March. 3.

General Franco's Cabinet has appointed Francisco Planas as Civil Governor of Valencia.—Reuter.

### Defence Position Restores Prestige

LONDON, March 2.

"I think we have got our tails up. We are reverting to our old position of influence which we ought never to have abandoned", declared Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, in a speech at the British Industries Fair.

He added "Our people are beginning to feel that they have the strength necessary to assume responsibilities and enjoy prestige. I am sure that in proportion as the realisation of change that has lately taken place here spreads among the peoples of the World, so will the chances of peace be improved and prospects of a real and rapid recovery of trade accelerated.—Reuter.

ARYAN POLITICAL CONFERENCE

An open session of the All-India Aryan Political Conference will be held to-day (Saturday), at 6 p.m. (S.T.) in the Mandap erected at Chowpatty Bridge on the occasion of the Bombay Arya Samaj anniversary.

## WARDHA SCHEME UNDER DISCUSSION

A discussion on the Wardha scheme was raised by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta by means of a cut-motion in the Bombay Legislative Assembly on Friday.

The Hon. Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, Speaker of the Assembly, was in the chair.

Dr. Choitram Gidwani, Leader of the Congress Party in the Sind Assembly, witnessed the proceedings from the Speaker's gallery.

(Detailed Proceeding will appear in to-morrow's issue.)

## England Does Everything On War Basis

### *Public Utilities To Be Ready To Face Attack*

LONDON, March 3.

Mr. Burgin replying to the debate in the Commons and referring to railways said that they were faced in connection with national emergency with the obligation to spend millions sterling to protect what was recognised as an essential part of the defence of the country.

He had been negotiating with them with a view to arranging for the work being put in hand. A tremendous amount had been done in connection with lighting and provision of a vast deposit of spares in case vulnerable places were touched.

The railways had established a committee which worked with the officials of the Ministry of Transport and he was satisfied with the work being done by the railways.

With regard to road transport the country has been divided into districts and sub-districts and groups of vehicles would be formed in each sub-district.

Imported fuel for road vehicles would probably be severely rationed in an emergency.

He concluded that in the event of an attack the public utility services of the country would continue. The Labour amendment to reduce the supplementary estimate was defeated by 213 votes to 107 and the estimate was agreed to.

Mr. Elliott said that according to the provisional allocation the total population in evacuable areas was about eleven million spread over London area and 18 other large and congested industrial cities and towns.

Regarding billetting of children offers had come from the royal family to cottages.

In two months the householders in the country without compulsion would enable them to say that the most difficult part of the problem—unaccompanied school children—was solved. (Cheers).—Reuter.

### LABOUR WANTS DEBATE ON PALESTINE

LONDON, March 2.

The Labour Party is pressing Government for an opportunity for a debate on Palestine which according to the present plan is likely on March 7 when the supply estimates for the cost of the Conference will be taken up.

The Labour Party view is that the proposals submitted to the Conference are a departure from the British policy, involve a change in the conditions of the Mandate and also claim that the proposals do not fulfil the terms of the Balfour Declaration.—Reu-

### SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, March 3.

B I S N s.s. Bamora of 1870 reg tons Capt S G Crombie arrived from Basrah via Persian Gulf Karachi and Veraval with passengers and general cargo

Anchor Line s.s. Cilicia of 6577 reg tons Capt F Handerson arrived from Karachi with passengers and general cargo

SAILED

Anglo Iranian Oil s.s. British Pride of 4180 reg tons Capt W B Stett sailed for Abadan in water ballast.

Anchor Line s.s. Cilicia of 6577 reg tons Capt F Handerson sailed for Marseilles and Liverpool via Port Said with passengers and same bottom cargo

B I S N s.s. Gogra of 3125 reg tons Capt D A Bell sailed for Rangoon in water ballast.

Caltex India s.s. El Segundo of 2228 reg tons Capt G Hedberg sailed for Bahrein with local cargo

Graham's Trading s.s. Nyanza of 3128 reg tons Capt D M C Laughlin sailed for Calcutta in water ballast.

M M s.s. Houghton Hall of 2968 reg tons Capt H T White sailed for Calcutta via Madras with same bottom cargo

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 3-3-39.

S S Hatarana (MM) for Karachi via Kathiawar Coast Ports

S S Vasna (MM) for Karachi Kathiawar and Persian Gulf Ports.

S S Kenya (MM) for Porebunder Marmagoa and African Ports.

S S Victoria (LT) for Colombo Singapore Hongkong Shanghai Ports

S S Gamaria (MM) for Colombo Coast Ports and Calcutta.

### *SUBHAS BOSE DEFENDS HIMSELF*

(Continued from page 7)

ness. Even with regard to my suggestion that the Working Committee meeting should be postponed, I requested Sardar Patel in my telegram to consult our colleagues and wire their opinion. There was no finality about my suggestion.

THOSE TWO TELEGRAMS

I am quoting below the two relevant telegrams which I sent to Mahatma Gandhi and Sardar Patel on the 21st February.

"MAHATMA GANDHI WARDHA:—Seen to-day doctor's telegram despatched last night. Have been fighting doctor and disease in order to come to Wardha, but regretfully recognise now cannot undertake journey. Ordinarily Working Committee meeting could have transacted business despite my absence, but doubt if that could be done now. Consequently only alternative is for Working Committee to meet before Congress. Your presence at Tripuri indispensably necessary. Kindly inform me of developments if any since I saw you. Please show telegram to Sardarji.—SUBHAS."

"SARDAR PATEL, WARDHA:—Kindly see my telegram to Mahatmaji. Regretfully feel Working Committee must be postponed till Congress. Please consult colleagues and wire opinion."—SUBHAS."

### *BOMBAY PREMIER'S WARNING*

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier interviewed by the Associated Press on Mahatma Gandhi's fast said:

It has filled me with the gravest concern. Mahatmaji's fast, in his present state of health, has caused such deep anxiety to everyone I have come across that I anticipate very serious consequences to the whole country unless some way is found to save the situation. I do not propose to say more at this stage because the news is quite unexpected to me. When Mahatmaji left for Rajkot some time ago, I did not anticipate that he would take such a serious decision, but now it has happened and we are all considerably upset.—A. P.

S.O.S TO CONGRESS PRESIDENT

SHOLAPUR, March. 2.

Mr. Chandkaran Sarda, second Dictator of the Aryan Satyagraha, has addressed a communication to Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, Congress President, requesting him to intervene in the Hyderabad Satyaaraha.—United Press.

### 'DISAPPOINTMENT AFTER HOPE' IN RAJKOT

Gandhiji's Fast Will Stir Whole Country, Says Rajen Babu

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, March 3.

Mahatma Gandhi's decision to undertake a fast has stunned the people here.

The decision has come as a shock, as the messages from Rajkot on previous days were very optimistic and gave impression that an honourable settlement was only a question of time.

When interviewed in this connection Babu Rajendra Prasad said, "The news will cause much anxiety throughout the country. Let us hope that the Thakoresaheb will make it possible for him to avoid the drastic action the repercussions whereof no one can foretell.

The fast, when and if it comes, is bound to stir the country from one end to the other end, but it is sure to create a situation which might well give a cause for repentance to Rajkot."

### Moulvi Abdul Haque Arriving To-day

Moulvi Abdul Haque, President Anjuman-ai-Taraqui Urdu, will arrive in Bombay to-day by the Punjab Mail.

# Cotton Farm Bill Developments

## SOME FOREIGN BUYING IN NEW YORK MARKET

### New Orleans And Local Reactionary Selling

**BOMBAY, March 3.**

**Secretary Wallace at Wednesday night's press Conference described as constructive the idea of a British suggestion to release Loan Cotton in regulated weekly or monthly amounts but said that the matter was up to the Congress.**

**Senator Smith said that he expected the agricultural committee to take early action on the cotton bill. The full committee will meet to-day to discuss the bill and certain amendments which have been proposed.**

The New York cotton market was somewhat mixed on Thursday. Trade is generally awaiting Wasnington developments but foreign buying was a feature in late dealings.

The market opened steady. Old crop months firm early on moderate trade price-fixing but soon reacted on March liquidation notices against 2,000 bales and New Orleans and local reactionary selling. But contracts were scarce with the session closing very steady.

At the opening March was quoted one point up at 8.61 and improved to 8.62 which was the highest level. Later on prices declined 6 points from the highest level and March was quoted 8.56 which was the lowest level touched during the first hour. Later on the market ruled steady and prices recovered and finally closed at a rise of 3 points to a decline of 2 points. Spot cotton prices were unchanged at 9.05c. per lb.

**NEW ORLEANS MARKET**

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet but steady and close at a rise of 3 points to a decline of 3 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 3 points at 8.71c. per lb.

**LIVERPOOL MARKET**

The Liverpool cotton futures market unchanged with March 4.90. The market was favourably influenced by improved textile and spot business. Later there was scarcity of contracts but speculation was small. Rumours of partial Italian mobilisation somewhat unsettled the market. There was scattered profit taking and local liquidation and hedging of outsiders. Trade calling was also in evidence and the market closed at a net decline of 5 to 2 points. Middling American spot cotton prices declined 2 points at 5.27d. per lb.

**EGYPTIAN COTTON**

Egyptian cotton market was quiet and Giza futures closed 12 points down. Uppers were quietly steady and closed unchanged to 2 points down. The Alexandria cotton market was steady with a limited turnover and Sakels futures closed 7 points higher while Ashmouni futures gained one to two points.

**BENEFICIAL RAINS**

With Washington apparently no nearer farm legislation than a week ago, Mr. Wallace, the Secretary of Agriculture, has conferred with Senators Smith and Bankhead, but apparently he has so far been unable to reconcile the differences as to whether to return loan cotton to growers at a moderate charge or to do it gratis as a reward for acreage reduction. Private advices indicate that the Smith cotton disposal plan is likely to receive more support; this provides for the distribution of up to 2,500,000 bales of loan cotton annually, but releases would probably not begin before August. Uncertainty over action by the House continues, with renewed statements that the House Agricultural Committee plans no radical changes in the farm programme affecting the current year's crop.

**MILL LIQUIDATION**

Persistent mill liquidation of old crops in the past two weeks is possibly the most prominent feature of dealings. This is attributed partly to the hedging of the accumulating supplies of textiles resulting from poor sales; others believe that it represents the selling-out of long accounts because of the uncertainty about Washington's plans. Several of the larger mills have recently shown more interest in spot cotton as a result of their conviction that any Congressional action liberating cotton will be ineffective until comparatively late in the season.

Recent rains have benefited the soil, but have delayed crop preparations somewhat. Farmers generally intend to comply with their acreage allotments, and are showing more interest in crop diversification. Fertiliser sales for the coming crop so far are slightly larger than last year. A trade publication estimates growers' intentions to plant at 25,391,000 acres for cotton this season, the heaviest decreases occurring in the South Eastern States and Texas, but with some increase in North central parts of the belt.—"M. G.".

PRIVATE CABLES—

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| New York March highest (10 a.m.) | 8.62+02 |
| New York March lowest (10-40 a.m.) | 8.56—04 |
| Liverpool May highest | 4.92+02 |
| Liverpool May lowest | 4.85—05 |

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Early hedge selling and liquidation met with late covering and trade buying.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following cables from their New York friends:—

'Prominent firms transferring longs March cotton in New York to July cotton in New York, thus building strong long interest July cotton in New York. Repeat recommendation buy July sell October.'

Trade buying old crop months. Local shorts covering majority of traders awaiting developments Smith Bill.'

**NEW YORK COTTON**

New York, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 8.60 |
| May | 8.27+03 |
| July | 8.04 |
| October | 7.60+01 |
| December | 7.54+01 |
| January | 7.53—02 |
| Middling Spot | 9.05 |

**NEW ORLEANS COTTON**

New York, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 8.67—03 |
| May | 8.36+03 |
| July | 8.14+01 |
| Middling Spot | 8.71+03 |

**NEW YORK**

New York, March 2

11-00 A.M. RANGES—

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 8.57/8.57 |
| May | 8.20/8.20 |
| July | 8.01/8.01 |

NOON CALL—

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 8.56 |
| May | 8.21 |
| July | 8.00 |

**NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS**

New York, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Day's receipts at all U S Ports | 3,000 bales. |
| Day's exports to Great Britain | nil |
| Day's exports to the Continent | 8,000 bales |
| Day's exports to China and Japan | 4,000 bales |

**LIVERPOOL COTTON**

Liverpool, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 4.88—05 |
| April | 4.87—05 |
| May | 4.86—04 |
| June | 4.78—04 |
| July | 4.71—03 |
| August | 4.66—03 |
| September | 4.61—02 |
| October | 4.56—02 |
| November | 4.55—02 |
| December | 4.55—02 |
| January | 4.55—02 |
| February | 4.56—02 |
| March | 4.57—02 |
| Middling Spot | 5.27—02 |
| | 10-12 a.m. quotations |
| May | 4.90 |
| July | 4.74 |

**LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE**

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent | £70 1/2 |
| Indian stock 3 per cent 1948 | 74 1/2 |
| Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later | 87 |
| Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55 | 109 |
| Consols 2 1/2 per cent | 69 7/8 |
| Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961 | 96 5/8 |
| War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952 | 97 7/8 |
| Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90 | 108 3/8 |
| Victory Bonds | 106 1/8 |
| Chartered Bank of I A and China | 9 |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg | 88 |
| National Bank of India | 32 |

**LONDON SEEDS**

London, March 2

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Linseed La Plata Hull c.i.f. Mar sellers | £10-17-6 |
| Linseed Calcutta London c.i.f. Mar sellers | 12-11-3 |
| Linseed Bombay London c.i.f. Mar April sellers | 12-16-3 |
| Rapeseed Toria Marc hApril sellers | 11-12-6 |
| Castorseed Bombay Hull c.i.f. March April sellers | 10-10-0 |

**NEW YORK COFFEE**

New York, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Fair rio coffee No. 7 quality Sellers | 5 1/8 |

**LONDON SPELTER**

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Spelter Hard (Indian brand) f o b | 11 1/2 to 12 1/2 |

## *Cotton Straddles*

**APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES**

Br April May New York May Rs. 43

Liverpool May Rs. 58 1/2

Br July August New York July Rs. 36 1/2 Liverpool July Rs. 49 1/2

New York Liverpool March 94 May 126 July 120 October 132 December 136 January 137

**LONDON EXCHANGES**

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| T T London on:— | |
| New York | 4.68.84 |
| Paris | 4.68.84 |
| Berlin | 11.68 1/4 |
| Madrid | 100.00 |
| Montreal | 4.70 11/16 |
| Amsterdam | 8.82 3/8 |
| Brussels | 27.86 3/4 |
| Milan | 89.13 |
| Berne | 20.63 1/8 |

**LONDON PRODUCE**

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Wheat Rozario Santa Fe Mar sellers | 21 |
| Wheat Barletta Russo | unquoted |
| Wheat South Australian Afloat sellers | 23 |

**LINSEED OIL**

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Linseed oil London naked per cwt | |
| Linseed oil London naked per cwt | |
| Mar sellers | 23/10 1/2 |
| May Aug sellers | 23/9 |

## *BOMBAY COTTON MARKET CLOSED*

Bombay, March 3

Following unchanged New York advices, the local market was expected to open to-day at Rs. 153/8 for Broach A/M delivery but owing to death of a member of the Cotton Exchange, the market remained entirely closed. Nominal quotation was Rs. 153/4.

## *Cotton Room Rates*

Bombay, March 3.

| | Extra Spr-fine | Sup | Fine | FG | Good |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| M G.— | | | | | |
| Bengal U.P. | ... 125 | 122 | 119 | | 116 |
| Punjab | ... 125 | 122 | 119 | | 116 |
| Rajputana | ... 127 | 124 | 121 | | 118 |
| Oomra No. 3 | 150 | 147 | 144 | 141 | .. |
| C P. No. 1 | 165 | 162 | 159 | 156 | .. |
| C. P. No. 2 | 156 | 153 | 150 | 147 | ... |
| Broach No. 2 | ... 159 | 157 | 155 | | 153 |
| Surat | ... 203 | 201 | 199 | | 197 |
| Rajpipla | ... 201 | 199 | 197 | | 195 |
| Navsari | ... 213 | 211 | 209 | | 207 |

## *Ready Cotton Quotations*

Bombay, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Bengal Superfine | 123/24 |
| Bengal Fine | 119/20 |
| Bengal F.G. | 117/18 |
| C P. 1 | 155/58 |
| C. P. 2 | 148/49 |
| Arvi | 149/50 |
| Amraoti | 138/42 |
| Ellichpur | 145/46 |
| Berar | 138/40 |
| Malkapur | 135/37 |
| Khandesh | 120/30 |
| Jalna/Sailu | 134/36 |
| Burwah/Sanavad | 138/39 |
| Khandwa | 138/39 |
| Mathia F.G. | 110/15 |
| Broach | 155/57 |
| Punjab 4 F. | 174/77 |
| Punjab 289F. | 200/04 |
| Sindh N.T. | 184/89 |
| Ankleshwar/Jaghadia | 189/90 |
| Surat | 196/97 |
| Navsari | 200/02 |
| Western Farm | 167/72 |

## *Indian Cotton Figures*

Bombay, March 3.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

Since 1st September.

In full-pressed Bales.

| | 1-3-39 | This year. | Last year. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Khandesh | 142 | 32,709 | 34,173 |
| Central India | 1,041 | 184,078 | 27,059 |
| Barsi and Nagar | 848 | 53,877 | 97,397 |
| Hyderabad-Gaorani | | 4,166 | 32,632 |
| Berar | 1,364 | 119,924 | 269,741 |
| Central Provinces | 340 | 29,235 | 43,823 |
| Total Oomras | 3,735 | 423,989 | 444,825 |
| Dholera | 284 | 112,771 | 31,599 |
| N.-W. Provinces | | 2,155 | 2,103 |
| Rajputana | 281 | 44,408 | 7,147 |
| Sind-Punjab | 1,993 | 260,157 | 383,259 |
| Broach | 9,843 | 108,953 | 7,635 |
| Coompta and Dharwar | 78 | 14,281 | 9,761 |
| Westerns-Northerns | 1 | 19,617 | 6,134 |
| Cocoanada | | 84 | 12 |
| Tinnevelly and Cambodia | | 2,540 | 1,136 |
| American | | 2,196 | 148,252 |
| Egyptian, African and Sudan | 932 | 174,392 | 215,244 |
| Comilla, Burma and other sorts | | 7 | 1,170 |
| Total | 17,247 | 1,165,550 | 1,258,287 |
| Arrived by road to 23rd Feb. 39 | | 225,702 | ... |

## *Exports From Bombay*

1st Sept. to 23rd Feb.

In full-pressed Bales.

| | Yester-day. | This year. | Last year. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Europe | 2,905 | 143,011 | 139,107 |
| Japan and China | 736 | 528,624 | 268,325 |
| Coast Ports | 250 | 18,916 | 35,103 |
| Up-country by Rail | | 145,780 | 213,166 |
| Afloat in harbour Europe China and Japan | | 37,454 | 35,182 |
| Total | 3,891 | 873,785 | 690,883 |

## *American Cotton Figures*

| F.P. Bales. | 1938-39 | 1937-38 |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts to date 2-3-39 | 3390000 | 6968000 |
| Receipts Yesterday 2-3-39 | 3000 | 15000 |
| Exports to date 2-3-39 | 2648000 | 4507000 |
| Stock at Ports 24-2-39 | 2614000 | 3146000 |
| Stock at Interior Towns 24-2-39 | 3135000 | 2541000 |
| Stock at Liverpool 24-2-39 | 1002000 | 1192000 |
| Visible Supply 24-2-39 | 6848000 | 7553000 |
| Quantity in sight 24-2-39 | 1903000 | 11888060 |
| Quantity out of sight 24-2-39 | 6690000 | 7216000 |

## *Egyptian Cotton*

Liverpool, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| GIZA NO. 1— | |
| Spot | 7.10—09 |
| March | 6.35—12 |
| May | 6.66—12 |
| GIZA NO. 2— | |
| March | 6.96—2 |
| May | 7.00—2 |
| July | 7.05—1 |
| October | 7.05—1 |
| November | 7.05—1 |
| January | 7.06—0 |
| UPPERS— | |
| Spot | 5.98—3 |
| March | 5.86—0 |
| May | 5.91—2 |
| July | 5.95—1 |
| October | 5.83—2 |
| November | 5.85—2 |
| January | 5.88—2 |

## *Bombay Sugar*

Bombay, March 3.

| | Rs. a. p. |
|---|---|
| Ready Javas | 15 14 0 |
| Shipment March | 5 8 9 |
| Shipment April/June | 5 9 9 |
| Shipment July/Sept. | 5 9 9 |
| Kesar | 15 14 0 |
| Saraya | 15 11 6 |
| Java Spot | F.6.05. |

## LONDON SUGAR

London, March 2

March ... sh. 6 2d.

## GOLD & SILVER

**BOMBAY, Mar. 3.**

**Yesterday London Gold prices declined 1 1|2d. to £7-8-3 1|2. London Paris Exchange rate was unchanged at 176.91. Dollar Sterling Cross Rate was 4.68 13|16. London Silver prices improved 1|16d. to 20 1|2d. for spot while forward was unchanged at 19 3|4d. India bought and bears covered. Buyers were satisfied. New York Spot Silver was unchanged at 42 3|4 cents and Shanghai T.T. on London was quoted 9.|8. London Bombay Spot parity was Rs. 53-15-9 and forward was Rs. 52-2-6. The local market was quietly steady with approaching settlement. There was absence of fresh business and prices fluctuated within a narrow range.**

| | Gold. Rs. a. p. | Silver. Rs. a. p. |
|---|---|---|
| Ready | 36 15 9 | 52 10 0 |
| Fagan dely. | 37 0 0 | 52 8 0 |
| Chaltra dely. | 37 0 6 | 52 4 0 |
| „ Tejimandi | 0 3 3 | 0 11 6 |

**LONDON SILVER**

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Spot | 20 1/2 |
| Forward | 19 3/4 |

**LONDON GOLD**

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Gold Bars Fine per oz | £7-8-3 1/2 |

## LONDON METALS

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Copper | £42 3 9 |
| Lead | £19 7 6 |
| Spelter | £13 16 3 |
| Tin | £215 5 0 |

## *Bombay Metals*

Bombay, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| London Market— | |
| Standard copper cash (buyers) | £42-0-0 |
| Standard copper 3 months | 42-2-6 |
| Electrolytic copper | £47-10-0 |
| Bombay Market— | |
| Yellow metal sheets | Rs. 49-4-0 |
| Copper sheets | Rs. 49-4-0 |
| Tone:—Steady. | |

## PRECIOUS METALS

Bombay, March 3

The following are the weekly quotations for the Precious Metals:

Platinum 100 per cent Rs. 48 per tola Elephant Brand

Platinum 97 per cent Rs. 47 per tola Elephant Brand.

Platinum 25 per cent Rs. 14 per tola Anchor Brand

Palladium 100 per cent Rs. 35 per tola

Iridium 100 per cent Rs. 100 per tola

Osmium 100 per cent Rs. 65 per tola

Ruthenium 100 per cent Rs. 55 per tola

Rhodium 100 per cent Rs. 165 per tola

## *Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled*

London, March 2.

| | |
|---|---|
| April | £10-9-9. |
| May | £10-10-0. |

## *Groundnuts And Seeds*

Bombay, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Castorseeds May— | |
| Opening | 27 7 0 |
| Highest | 27 8 0 |
| Lowest | 27 7 0 |
| Closing | 27 7 0 |
| Groundnuts May— | |
| Opening | 28 11 0 |
| Highest | 28 11 3 |
| Lowest | 28 9 3 |
| Closing | 28 11 0 |
| Cottonseeds May— | |
| Opening | 22 8 6 |
| Highest | 22 9 6 |
| Lowest | 22 6 0 |
| Closing | 22 8 9 |

N. B. The market will open on Tuesday.

## *Wheat Liverpool*

Liverpool, March 2.

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 52 1/2d. |
| May | 54 1/8d. |
| March New | 51d. |
| May New | 52 5/8d. |
| July New | 53 3/4d. |

## *Wheat Chicago*

Chicago, March 2.

| | |
|---|---|
| May | dol 0.68 3/4. |
| July | dol 0.68 3/4. |
| September | dol 0.69 1/2. |

## *New York Sugar*

New York, March 2.

| | |
|---|---|
| July | 1.93. |
| September | 1.96. |
| November | 2.00. |
| January | 1.94. |

## WALL STREET MARKET

New York, March 2

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

| | Dollars. |
|---|---|
| American Water Works | 14 |
| American Power and Light Common | 6 |
| American Power and Light 5 per cent Pfd A | 42 |
| Electric Bond Common | 12 |
| Electric Bond 5 per cent Pfd | 62 |
| Columbia Gas and Electric | 8 |
| American Telephone and Telg | 159 3/4. |
| Sun Life of Canada | 445 |
| Western Union Teleg | 22 1/2 |
| New York Central | 19 7/8 |
| Union Pacific | 103 |
| Texas Corporation | 42 3/4 XD |
| Amrex Corporation | 23 1/8 |
| Union Carbon and Carbide | 83 1/2 |
| Liggett Meyers 'B' | 106 |
| Curtiss Wright | 6 |
| Brooklyn Manhattan Transit | 13 |
| American Radiator | 16 |
| National Dairy | 15 |
| United States Steel | 63 1/4 |
| United States Steel Pref | 117 |
| Bethlehem Steel | 74 |
| Pittsburgh Screw and Bolt | 8 |
| Crucible Steel | 42 |
| Ludlum Steel | 23 |
| Republic Steel | 22 |

Political expediency explains administration's current drive to inspire better business. So far effort has been confined to reassuring statements but other steps are being contemplated over near term. Timed to coincide with spring expansion trade substantial recovery could develop if administration promises are translated into action resulting modification of Wagner Act Tax Laws etc. coupled with better advices from abroad we feel justified in revising our attitude of restrained optimism to one of moderate bullishness. Long positions should be retained and added to. We favour motors, motor accessories, steels, rails and railroad equipments and also common shares of best companies in capital goods field. Turnover 600,000 shares. Brokers loan up 7 million dollars. Carloading 19462 units.

## GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, March 3

| | |
|---|---|
| 3 1/2 per cent G P Notes | 98/15 |
| 2 3/4 per cent 1948/62 Loan | 98/12 |
| 3 per cent 1951/54 Loan | 100/12 |
| 3 per cent 1941 Bonds | 101/12 |
| 3 per cent 1963/65 | 97/8 |
| 3 1/2 per cent 1947/55 | 104/10 |
| 4 per cent 1940/43 Bonds | 107/8 |
| 4 per cent 1960/70 Loan | 110/8 |
| 4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan | 117/10 |
| 5 per cent U P Bonds | 98 |
| 5 per cent 1939/44 Loan | 101/2 |
| 5 per cent 1940/43 Loan | 104/8 |
| TAX FREES | |
| 5 per cent 1943/55 | 114/9 |
| 4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore | 111/8 |
| 5 per cent 1955 Mysore | 124 |
| CORPORATION DEBENTURES | |
| 4 per cent 1972 B P T | 109/4 |
| 4 per cent 1974 M Deb | 108/8 |
| 5 per cent 1954 M Deb. | 117/8 |
| 6 per cent M Deb 1954 | 129 |
| 6 per cent K P T 1956 | 129 |
| Tone: Steady. | |

## *MONEY MARKET*

Bombay, March 3

| | |
|---|---|
| B C RATES— | |
| T T D D | 1/5 7/8 |
| LONDON— | |
| Bank's selling T T D D | 1/5 15/16 |
| Bank's buying T T | 1/5 31/32 |
| Bank's buying D D | 1/6 |
| Bank's buying 3 months | 1/6 1/16 to May 1/6 1/32 June to February. |
| NEW YORK— | |
| Bank's selling T T | 287 |
| Bank's buying T T | 283 3/4 |
| Bank's buying D D | 283 |
| PARIS— | |
| Bank's selling T T | 1,309 |
| Bank's buying T T | 1,325 |
| JAPAN— | |
| Bank's selling T T | 78 1/2 |
| Bank's buying T T | 77 3/4 |
| Bank's buying | 60 days 77 |
| AMSTERDAM— | |
| Bank's selling D D | 65 1/4 |
| JAVA— | |
| Bank's selling D D | 65 1/8 |
| HONGKONG— | |
| Bank's selling D D | 84 1/8 |
| SHANGHAI— | |
| Bank's selling D D | 46 1/2 |
| SINGAPORE— | |
| Bank's selling D D | 156 3/4 |
| BERLIN— | |
| Bank's selling D D | 86 1/4 |
| CROSS RATE— | |
| New York London | 4.68.81 2nd instant |
| Japan London | 1/2 1/64 3rd instant |
| Hongkong London | 1/2 29/32 3rd instant |
| Shanghai London | 0/8 1/8 3rd instant |
| Java London | 8.80 3rd instant |
| London Paris | 176.91 2nd instant |
| London Belgium | 27.86 3/4 2nd instant |
| London Switzerland | 20.63 1/8 2nd instant |
| London Berlin | 11.68 1/4 2nd instant |
| London Stockholm | 19.42 3/8 2nd instant |
| London New York | 4.68.84 2nd instant |
| London Amsterdam | 8.82 1/4 2nd instant |
| London Italy | 89.13 2nd instant |
| Tone of Sterling Exchange: | Steady. |
| Gold | £7-8-3 1/2 2nd instant |
| Silver London Ready | 20 1/2 2nd instant |
| Silver London Forward | 19 3/4 2nd instant |
| Silver New York Ready | 43 2nd instant |
| London discounts 3 months | 9/16 per cent 2nd instant |
| London discounts 6 months | 11/16 per cent 2nd instant |
| Reserve Bank Rate | 3 per cent. |
| Bank of England Rate | 2 per cent. |
| Money:— | |
| Call | 1 to 1 1/4 per cent. |
| 3 months | 1 3/4 per cent. |
| 6 months | 1 3/4 per cent. |
| Tone: Steady. | |

## INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, March 2

| | |
|---|---|
| Cali Loan London | 1/2 |
| 3 per cent | 74 1/2 |
| 3 1/2 per cent | 87 |
| 3 1/2 per cent 1954/59 | 99 1/4 |
| 4 per cent 1948/53 | 105 1/4 |
| 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55 | 109 |
| 4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 | 112 1/2 |
| 5 per cent 1942/47 | 107 1/2 |
| 3 per cent 1949/52 | 96 |
| 2 1/2 per cent British Consols | 69 7/8 |
| 3 1/2 per cent War loan | 97 7/8 |
| 4 per cent Funding loan 1960/90 | 108 3/8 |
| Indian Iron and Steel New Ord | 45 |

## BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, March 3.

| | |
|---|---|
| Yarn No. 6 1/2s.— | |
| April | 97 0 0 |
| June | 97 0 0 |
| August | 98 0 0 |
| Yarn No. 10 1/2s.— | |
| April | 105 8 0 |
| June | 107 0 0 |
| August | 108 0 0 |
| Yarn No. 20 1/2s.— | |
| April | 141 0 0 |
| June | 141 8 0 |
| August | 142 0 0 |
| Yarn No. 40s.— | |
| April | 216 0 0 |
| June | 216 0 0 |
| August | 217 0 0 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Lockheed | 32 |
| United States Smelting | 59 |
| Anaconda Copper | 30 1/8 |
| Int Nickel of Canada | 52 1/2 |
| General Motors | 49 1/2 |
| General Electric | 41 1/4 |
| Westinghouse Electric | 111 |
| Consolidated Oil | 8 1/2 |
| Socony | 12 7/8 |
| Douglas Aircraft | 71 |
| Chase National Bank | 33 |
| National City Bank | 25 1/4 |

# Small Setback In Steel Shares

## ABSENCE OF SUPPORT AND LONG LIQUIDATION

### Cotton Mills Steady

**BOMBAY: March 3.**

**The local market was mainly influenced by somewhat disquieting news from Rajkot. There was a marked absence of any support and under gradual liquidation prices sagged.**

**The Wall-Street Market was fairly steady on Thursday and U. S. Steel shares closed unchanged at dollars 63-1|4. The continued inertia after the recent rise is believed to be the waiting attitude on the part of Operators pending clarification of actual attitude of Washington Administration towards business.**

**The weakness in the local market, although attributed to Rajkot developments, seems natural, as prices in the local market, particularly of Tata Steel shares were going up continuously day after day. But it is the usual experience that no rise can be straight and the recent rise of about Rs. 200 in Tata Steel Dfds. was mainly due to undue decline on reasons of nervous and forced liquidation.**

**The main trend of prices is upward, and it appears that in due course, we will be able to witness substantial gains, but too rapid improvements, generally unsettle market and Operators become cautious and even some of them are tempted to book profits.**

**In an ordinary constructive market such actions and reactions are more desirable to maintain sound price structure. Thus we feel that to-day's weakness may be carried further in the near future.**

**Tata Steel Dfd. shares opened to-day at Rs. 1,215 and declined to Rs. 1,187 and finally closed at Rs. 1,190. Ordinary shares closed at Rs. 259. Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 845 and Associated Cements closed at Rs. 115.**

**TEXTILE SHARES**

BOMBAY, March 3.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100 | Ahmd. Advance | 390 0 |
| 250 | BOMBAY DYEING | 845 0 |
| 100 | CENTURY | 221 0 |
| 100 | CENTRAL INDIA | 216 8 |
| 100 | COLABA | 118 0 |
| 100 | Cooria | 95 0 |
| 250 | David | 75 0 |
| 250 | Dawn | 320 0 |
| 1 | E. D. Sassoon | 0-3-9 |
| 100 | Finlay | 103 0 |
| 100 | GOKAK | 133 0 |
| 1,000 | Hindustan | 1,705 0 |
| 100 | Indore | 46 8 |
| 100 | Khatau | 105 0 |
| 100 | KOHINOOR | 251 0 |
| 250 | Laxmi | 502 8 |
| 250 | Madras United | 35 0 |
| 100 | Morarji | 125 8 |
| 250 | Model | 51 8 |
| 50 | MYSORE | 89 0 |
| 200 | NEW GREAT | 215 0 |
| 100 | Osmanshahi | 40 0 |
| 100 | PHOENIX | 222 8 |
| 25 | Sassoon Silk | 68 8 |
| 1,000 | Sholapur | 3200 0 |
| 50 | SIMPLEX | 72 8 |
| 100 | SWADESHI | 210 8 |
| 100 | Swan | 101 8 |
| 500 | Vishnu | 1125 0 |
| 1,000 | Westerns | 880 0 |

**BANKS**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 50-100 | Baroda | 114 8 |
| 25-50 | Central | 33 8 |
| 500 | Imperial | 1,581 14 |
| 125-500 | Imp. Conty. | 368 12 |
| 50-100 | Imp. XD | 140 12 |
| 100 | Reserve Bank | 113 0 |
| 5 | Unions | 5-14 6 |

**CEMENTS**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100 | Associated | 115 0 |

**INSURANCE**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100 | Empire | 685 0 |
| 15-100 | Jupitor | 12 8 |
| 20 | Mercantile | 53 0 |
| 15-75 | New India | 35 14 |
| 200 | Oriental | 4,200 0 |
| 10-50 | Vulcan | 7 4 |

**ELECTRIC**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100 | Ah. Old | 135 0 |
| 1,000 | ANDHRA | 1,400 0 |
| 10 | Ajmer | 11 0 |
| 50 | Bombay Tram | 126 4 |
| 100 | Bombay Suburban | 145 4 |
| 10 | Broach | 9 12 |
| 100 | Kerachi | 190 0 |
| 100 | Poona | 172 8 |
| 100 | Surat | 162 8 |
| 100 | TATA HYDRO | 149 8 |
| 1,000 | TATA POWERS | 1,275 0 |

**RAILWAYS**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 500 | Ahmedabad Prantij XD | 941 4 |
| 100 | C. Province | 100 8 |
| 100 | Dh Baramati | 103 12 |
| 100 | Gujarat | 96 0 |
| 100 | Mandra Bhon | 101 8 |
| 100 | Pachora Jamner | 95 0 |
| 100 | Sara Serajganj | 99 0 |
| 500 | Tapti Valley | 755 0 |

**MININGS**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 9 | Burma Corp. XD | 5 12 |
| 8sh. | Indian Copper | 2 1 0 |
| 10 | Indian Iron and Steel | 30 2 |
| 10 | Shivrajpur | 40 0 |
| 30 | TATA STEEL DEFDS. | 1,190 0 |
| 75 | TATA STEEL ORD | 259 0 |

**MISCELLANEOUS**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100 | Alcock | 327 8 |
| 10 | Air Services | 8 12 |
| 50 | BELAPUR SUGAR | 172 0 |
| 200 | Bombay Safe Dep. | 840 0 |
| 250 | BOMBAY STEAM | 214 0 |
| 125 | B. BURMA | 439 0 |
| 50 | BOMBAY Conty. | 149 6 |
| 8sh. | B. Petrol | 3 8 6 |
| 50 | BOMBAY TELEPHONE | 80 4 |
| 100 | IN. BLEACHING | 127 0 |
| 50 | Ind Invest Trust | 42 0 |
| 100 | I. Radio Defd | 390 0 |
| 100 | I. Radio Ord. | 380 0 |
| 100 | Port Canning | 67 8 |
| 30 | Premier Con. | 61 12 |
| 15 | Scindia | 18 1 |
| 25 | Tata Oil Mill (nil) | 40 0 |

**PREFERENCE**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 5-1\|2 | Amalgamated (T.F.) | 106 0 |
| 7 | p.c. Andhra Valley | 1,495 0 |
| 6 | p. c. Bombay Steam | 235 0 |
| 7 | p.c. Bombay Tram (T.F.) | 74 4 |
| 5 | p.c. Central India (T.F.) | 560 0 |
| 6½ | p.c. Prem Const 1st. | 107 4 |
| 6½ | p. c. Prem Const 2nd | 99 4 |
| 7 | p.m. Tata Hydro | 146 10 |
| 7½ | p.c Tata Power | 1,530 0 |
| 6 | p.c. Tata Steel 1st | 210 0 |
| 7½ | p.c. Tata Steel 2nd | 156 8 |
| 7 | p.c Vishnu | 717 8 |

**DEBENTURES**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 3-3\|4 | p. c. Andhra Valley | 102 8 |
| 6 | p.c. Andhra Valley | 105 10 |
| 4 | p.c Bombay Telephone | 51 14 |
| 7 | p. c Sholapur | 80 0 |
| 6 | p.c. Tata Hydro | 107 4 |

(Capital Letters indicate Shares on Forward List).

**ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE**

Bombay, March 3

Bombay Dyeing (845) 837 841 838 847 845

Century (222) 221 222 220 222 221

Central India (219) 218 216/8 217 216/8

Kohinoor (251) 250 251 250 251

New Great (217) 217 216 217 215

Simplex (72/8) 72 72/8

Swadeshi (210) 211 209 210 210/8

Associated Cement (115) 115/4 114/12 115

Andhra (1400) 1400

Tram Ord (128/12) 127 128/4

Tata Hydro (149/8) 149/8

Tata Power (1277/8) 1270 1272 1270 1275

T Steel Defd (1230) 1207 1222 1195 1200 1187 1210 1190

T Steel Ord (266) 261/8 264 260/8 261 259 263 259

Tata Steel 2nd Pref (156/4) 156/12 157 156/12 156/8

Bellapur (174) 174 173 172

B Steam (213) 213 214

B Burma (442) 442 438 440 439

**INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE**

Bombay, March 3

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

| | |
|---|---|
| 3 1/2 per cen paper | 99/12 |
| 4 per cent 1960/70 | 110/12 |
| 5 per cent 1945/55 | 114/10 |

BANKS

| | |
|---|---|
| Bank of Baroda | 112/8 |
| Bank of Hindusthan | 33 |
| Bank of India | 149/12 |
| Central Bank | 38 |
| Imperial Bank F P | 1581/4 |
| Imperial Bank P P | 368/12 |
| Indian Overseas Bank | 48 |
| Reserve Bank | 113 |
| Union Bank | 5/14 |

TEXTILES

| | |
|---|---|
| Ahmd New Textiles | 401/8 |
| Ambica | 288/2 |
| Arun | 222/8 |
| Arvind | 1265 |
| Asok | 289/10 |
| Bharatkhand | 2228 |
| Bombay Dyeing | 845 |
| Buckingham and Carnatics | 135 |
| Calico | 612/8 |
| Central India | 216/8 |
| Century | 220/10 |
| Colaba | 117/8 |
| Delhi Cloth and Gen Mills | 488 |
| Elgin | 112/8 |
| Gokak | 132/8 |
| Hukumchand | 169/2 |
| Indore | 46/8 |
| Jubilee | 216/8 |
| Khatau Makanji | 105 |
| Kohinoor | 250 |
| Laxmi Cotton | 502/8 |
| Madhusudan | 299 |
| Marsden | 98/12 |
| Morarji | 125 |
| Mysore | 88/14 |
| Nandlal Bhandari | 77/8 |
| New Great | 214/8 |
| Raipur | 260 |
| Rainagar | 188/12 |
| Sajjan | 97/8 |
| Sassoon and Alliance | 65 |
| Sholapur | 3200 |
| Simplex | 72/8 |
| Swadeshi | 210 |
| Vishnu | 1125 |

HYDRO ELECTRICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Andhra Valley Ord | 1400 |
| Tata Hydro Ord | 149/8 |
| Tata Power Ord | 1272/8 |

ELECTRICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Ahmedabad Electrics | 135/10 |
| Ajmer Electrics | 11/8 |
| Amalgamated | 12/8 |
| Bombay Suburban | 145 |
| Bombay Tram | 126/4 |
| Lahore Electrics | 600 |
| Surat Electrics | 192/8 |

MISCELLANEOUS

| | |
|---|---|
| Alcock Ashdown | 326/14 |
| Associated Cements | 115 |
| Belapur | 171/14 |
| Bombay Burma New | 147/8 |
| Bombay Burma Old | 438/2 |
| Bombay Steam | 212/12 |
| Bombay Telephone | 80 |
| Br B Petrol | 3/8 |
| Burma Corporation | 5/12 |
| Delmia Cement | 9/10 |
| Indian Bleaching | 126/4 |
| Industrial Investment Tr | 42 |
| Indian Radio Ord | 380 |
| Indian Radio Defd | 390 |
| Indian Copper | 2/1 |
| Indian Iron | 39/2 |
| Mysore Sugar | 28/2 |
| Port Canning | 67/8 |
| Premier Construction | 61/3 |
| Rohtas Industries | 25/6 |
| Scindia Steam | 18/1 |
| Shivrajpur | 40/8 |
| Tata Oil | 39/8 |
| Tata Steel Ordy | 259 |
| Tata Steel Defd | 1190 |

JUTES

| | |
|---|---|
| Birla Jute | 47 |
| Howrah | 57/2 |
| Hukumchand | 7/2 |
| Kamarhatty | 525 |
| Kanknarrah | 385 |
| Lawrence | 385 |
| Reliance | 65 |

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# Father Of Indian Industrial Renaissance

## Premier's Tributes To Late J. N. Tata

## SYMBOL OF INDUSTRY AND IMAGINATION

## House Of Tatas Represents Fine Tradition Of Integrity And Enterprise

**"When the Industrial history of modern India comes to be written, the name of Jamsetji Nusserwanji Tata is assured an honoured place. But greater than the chronicle of achievements attached to the name of Tata is the fine tradition of integrity and enterprise it symbolises. Mr. Tata was fortunate in his successors. Let us therefore in honouring the memory of Jamshetji Tata not forget the service of his successors—men, like his sons, Sir Dorab and Sir Ratan Tata; his cousin, the late R. D. Tata, whose son Mr. J. R. D. Tata now guides the destinies of the House; Sir Bezonji Dadabhai; Sir Nowroji and other members of the Saklatvala family and others who have rendered and are rendering service to the best of their ability They all serve an enterprise which is the pride of modern India, an enterprise worthy of the great man who founded it and whose memory we are gathered here to-day to honour" said Premier Kher, paying tributes to the memory of the late J. N. Tata in his speech at the centenary celebrations.**

Mr. S. D. Saklatvala addressing the gathering said:—

In the unavoidable absence of our chairman, Mr. J. R. D. Tata, it is my privilege on behalf of our firm to welcome you all to this function. It gives me great pleasure to see this distinguished assembly of citizens, gathered to pay homage to the memory of one, whom the House of Tata holds in high reverence and whom India ranks among her great sons.

Mr. J. N. Tata, the centenary of whose birth we celebrate this evening ,deserved well of this country. If India to-day enjoys a status among the commercial nations of the world, it is largely because of his pioneer spirit, his initiative and enterprise. No man it is generally agreed has had greater influence on the industrial history of this country. With ability, J. N. Tata combined character; and with vision, resource. To him, the mere accumulation of money for money's sake was meaningless. It is because he utilised his vast wealth and talent to further the best interests of his country that his place among the great nation-builders of his time is assured.

DREAMER AND PLANNER.

To appreciate the boldness of his projects and the range of his far-seeing mind one must view him in the setting of his own times. India in those days was not even in the infant stage of her industrial growth. Yet in that early period, J. N. Tata not merely dreamed but devised the schemes which have made the name of Tata a by-word for industrial enterprise. How carefully he planned every detail of the vast projects associated with his name is part of our country's history. Looking back, one realises the tremendous foresight and daring of the man.

Many years before the scheme was finally launched, he had thought out the possibilities of harnessing the monsoon waters of the Western Ghauts for hydro-electric purposes. He had done more. Very carefully, as was characteristic of him, he had carried out the preliminary spade work and by his tact enlisted the sympathy of the India Office in London. Thereby, he eased greatly the work of his successors. The same vision and vigour J. N. Tata displayed in his endeavour to exploit the iron ore resources of the country for the manufacture of steel. Here again, he did not live to enjoy the fruits of his industry; but those who reaped the harvest realised how carefully he had sown the seed and prepared the soil. Yet another of his great projects, the Indian Institute of Science, shows the same careful preparation and planning. Attention to detail was among his strongest assets as a businessman.

INDUSTRY AND IMAGINATION.

It is not often that Industry is allied with imagination in so marked a degree as with J. N. Tata. He planned, for instance, the reclamation of Back Bay many years before the Bombay Government undertook the project. Nor did the possibilities of suburban development round Bombay escaped him. It is interesting to recall that for some time at least the reclamation of certain lands near the Mahim Creek absorbed his attention; and long before Juhu became the Brighton of Bombay, J. N. Tata was busy devising ways and means to convert this hamlet into a fashionable seaside resort. Larger projects were to distract his attention from these small schemes. But most of them have found fruition since then and are a tribute to the prescience which prompted his enterprise in those distant days.

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Here perhaps, ladies and gentlemen, you will permit me to strike a personal note. J. N. Tata had eight nephews; and I, as one of the three surviving nephews have many personal recollections, which I treasure, of this Grand Old Man. To me the most striking quality in his character was his simplicity. He was utterly unassuming. For all his great wealth, J. N. Tata was among the most unostentatious of men. Simply dressed, his only indulgence was his perfectly appointed brougham; in his fine horses and their equipment he took genuine pride. An occasional game of "Chowpat" at his Club was his sole recreation. He was far from being the Sybarite which his great wealth might have tempted him to become. For luxury, he had no use. Direct in his manner and speech, he hated cant; anything savouring of the shoddy and insincere, he abhorred. He was widely travelled and personally I have rarely known a more interesting conversationalist. His mind moved over a vast range of interests and it was instructive to note the many practical lessons he drew from what he saw. I always marvelled at his acute observation. Nothing perhaps was more remarkable about him than his endless thirst for knowledge and the passion for studying every detail of a problem which absorbed him. Yet it is typical of his finely balanced nature that his obsession with details never prevented him from conceiving projects on a magnificent, even grandiose scale.

HOUSE OF TATA

When Mr. J. N. Tata died at Nauiheim in Germany in 1904 the greatest gift that he bequeathed to his countrymen were his two devoted sons and their accomplished wives. Happily we have amongst us Lady Ratan Tata, a Director of our Firm who typifies in her person the Tata trait of enlightened philanthropy. It was left to his sons and lieutenants to put many of his major schemes into execution. That they should have done so speaks well for their loyalty and courage. On his sons, Dorab and Ratan, and on his cousin, R. D. Tata, fell the brunt of the responsibility; but later other relatives, friends and associates also shared the burden and helped to discharge the trust they had inherited, the most prominent amongst them being our late Chairman Sir Nowroji Saklatvala. To them the House of Tata owes a deep debt, for not only did they implement the ideas of J. N. Tata but initiated many projects of their own. The vast and varied concerns of the House of Tata are the finest memorial to their enterprise. They were the worthy inheritors of a great tradition, ennobled by years of service and sacrifice and infused with the spirit of the man, who greatly daring, inspired many of their gigantic enterprises.

SERVICE AS MOTTO.

So we come to the House of Tata as it stands to-day. It is I can assure you a long and colourful story; a story of storm and stress, trouble and triumph, a tale of the courage of men who saw the vision big and knew how to make it great. Tatas' have passed through many vicissitudes, some of them in recent years. But the confidence which the House of Tata inspires to-day is a vindication of the integrity and spirit of service which animate its policy. The firm has gone from strength to strength. Outstanding among recent enterprises is the Tata Air Mail which has functioned most successfully since its inauguration some six years ago. The latest of Tata enterprises is the floatation of Tata Chemicals Ltd., which is also a pioneer enterprise and has vast capabilities. To-day, the companies under the control of the firm give employment to about 75,000 men and women; over 3½ crores a year are expended in wages; and Tatas' contribution to the revenues of Government and the Railways total nearly one and a half crores. It is an achievement of which those associated with the House of Tatas may justly be proud. But perhaps a matter of even greater pride is the fact that almost the entire fortune left by Mr. Tata, with the additions made to it by his two sons is devoted to Charities and the Firm has under its charge as many Charitable Endowments large and small as the number of companies it manages.

I do not wish, ladies and gentlemen, to encroach on your time further. The Honourable Mr. Kher, who has so kindly honoured us with his presence, will now address the gathering and in inviting him to speak, may I thank him and you all again for your presence here this evining.

### A GREAT PATRIOT

#### Premier's Tribute To J. N. Tata

The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher in the course of his speech said:—

We have met to-day to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Jamsetji Nusserwanji Tata. We honour his memory not only as that of a great industrialist but also a great patriot. He dedicated his great talent and wealth to the service of India. The great house of Tata to-day is a monument to his vision and enterprise and even if Jamsetji Tata did not live to see the fruition of many of his major projects, his was the genius which inspired them and the foresight which brought them into triumphant being. Intensely practical, he served India in a practical way. He was, in fact, that rare thing, a practical patriot.

PASSION FOR WORK

Born at Navsari on March 3 1839—exactly a hundred years ago—he came to Bombay for his studies at the age of thirteen. For a time, he was a student at the Elphinstone Institute and later at the Elphinstone College. At the age of 20, he joined his father's firm: and from then begins his business career which was to make of his life a triumph and romance in the industrial history of India. He had a passion for work; an unchallenged personal integrity; keen observation; live interest, thoroughness in whatever he undertook; and above all a high commercial morality.

Jamsetji Tata embodied in himself ability and character of a rare order.

FIRST OF ENTERPRISES

While in Lancashire, as a

(Continued on page 12, col. 2)

Head of Bodhisattva, in Cave No. 4., Bagh.

Prince and Princess from the Pavilion at Kumatji.

### AJANTA AND BAGH FRESCOES

#### India's Art Treasures On View In Bombay

All art lovers will be glad to learn that the Bombay Field Club has arranged an exhibition of the reproductions and reconstructions of Indian frescoes from Ajanta, Badami, Bagh, Sittanvasal, etc. by the well-known Armenian-Persian artist, Mr. Sarkis Katchadourian, whose exhibition of reproductions of Persian frescoes, which was held last year at the K. R. Cama Institute, was immensely appreciated by the art-loving public of Bombay. The Exhibition will be opened by the Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi at 5 p.m. to-day at the University Convocation Hall and will remain open from 2 to 8 P.M. upto the 9th of March.

Though the Ajanta and Bagh frescoes have been already copied before, the honour of reproducing the Badami and Seetanvasal frescoes for the first time goes to Mr. Katchadourian. Considering how fragile and faded the original cave paintings are, one can't help congratulating the artists who attempt to bring them out from oblivion and present them to the people at one place so that those who have neither the leisure nor the money to travel from Seetanvasal in the South to the Bagh Caves in the North can have the opportunity of viewing them. These frescoes have been acclaimed by all authorities on Art to be the priceless treasures belonging to the golden age of Indian painting. Sir John Marshall, referring to the Bagh and Ajanta frescoes says that "the School which these paintings represent was the source and fountain-head from which half the art of Asia drew its inspiration. Nor could these paintings be appraised only in relation to the art in Asia. They will bear comparison to the best that Europe could produce down to the times of Michael Angelo."

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During the week ended February 25, 1939, there was no export of gold from Karachi by air.

## Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — THE HAND OF POWER

SOMETHING'S WRONG IN THE ENGINEROOM!
FIRE!
CAN'T EXPLAIN IT, CAPTAIN. ONE O' THE OIL TANKS JUST EXPLODED!
KEEP IT UNDER CONTROL, MISTER! ORDER SPARKS TO SEND OUT AN SOS!
THE GENERATOR FUSED! I CAN'T SEND A THING!
AN' TH' ENGINE JUST CONKED OUT, TOO! WE'RE A FLOATIN' HULK!
IT'S TH' "SEA QUEEN" ALL RIGHT, SHINN! LAFLIN'S DEATH RAY PUT HER OUT OF COMMISSION JUST LIKE HE SAID!
RIGHT, HALE AN' WE'RE JOHNNY ON THE SPOT TO LIFT TH' GOLD OUTA HER VAULTS!
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